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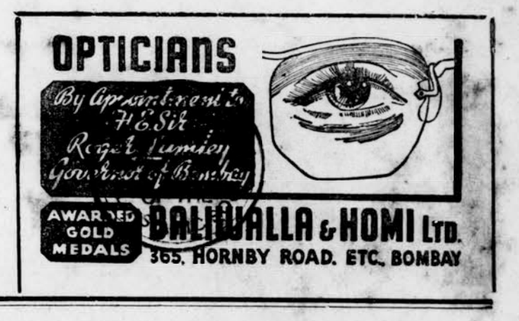
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MAHATMA CHEERFUL THOUGH WEAK

BLOOD PRESSURE CONTINUES TO BE ERRATIC

To-day's X-Ray Examination For Taking Cardiogram

Gandhiji Spends Time In Spinning: Col. Bhandari Visits Parnakuti

POONA, May 7.

It is believed it would take some weeks before Mahatma Gandhi will be in a position to resume normal work.

Hence his reactions to the present situation in the country and his future plans will not be made known till doctors pronounce him out of danger.

It is understood that Mahatma Gandhi will be taken to a clinic to-morrow, where he will be X-rayed, and a cardiogram taken. Dr. Gilder, who is expected here to-morrow, and the other doctors after examining him will determine where he should convalesce. A suggestion has been made that he should go to Mahableshwar for a few days but if the cardiogram reveals dilatation of the heart, it is pointed out, a hill station will be unsuitable. Juhu, near Bombay, is also mentioned as a likely place where he might stay.—A. P.

ERRATIC BLOOD PRESSURE

Despite his blood pressure, which continues to be erratic, and doctors' advice that he should avoid all strain, Mahatma Gandhi it is stated, is very anxious to resume his usual activities, and expressed a desire to meet as many friends as possible. There has been a large number of requests to see him, and the time for visitors has now been regulated and restricted to two hours a day.

During the conversations, Mahatma Gandhi listens most of the time but occasionally puts a question or two on personal affairs. Politics is excluded from these conversations as any serious discussion makes his blood pressure rise.

Mr. Pyareal is present his side during the interviews.

HE SCANS THROUGH THE NEWSPAPERS AND SPENDS CONSIDERABLE TIME IN SPINNING. A FRIEND WHO WAS SPEAKING TO HIM THIS EVENING SUGGESTED HE SHOULD RECLINE ON A PILLOW TO AVOID STRAIN WHILE SPINNING, BUT MAHATMA GANDHI SAID HE MUST SIT AND SPIN, AS OTHERWISE THE YARN WOULD NOT BE GOOD.

VISITORS

Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit who arrived here this evening saw Mahatma Gandhi. Mr. A. V. Thakkar, Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Munshi, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Huthesingh and Dr. A. B. Popatlal of Karachi also saw him to-day. Mr. S. C. Batliwala, a prominent member of the Communist party of India saw Mahatmaji to-day and gave him some literature about the Communist Party's present activities, as also a letter from the Gen. Secretary of the party.—A. P.

NO ANXIETY SAYS LADY THACKERSEY

ALLAHABAD, May 7: "Though weak he is quite cheerful. No present cause for anxiety," says Lady Thackersey with whom Mahatma Gandhi is staying at present after his release, in reply to Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru's telegram which he had sent to her, enquiring about Mahatma Gandhi's health.

Sir Tej has sent the following telegram to Mahatma Gandhi today: "Please wire your condition. Do not work until complete recovery for which we all pray."—A. P.

REST, THE SUPREME NEED

POONA, May 7.

"Our first consideration now is to allow Mahatma Gandhi as much rest as possible, and you can help us in not seeking any interview in this direction considerably by asking the people not to disturb Gandhiji if they can help it", said Mr. Pyarelal who has occupied Mr. Mahadev Desai's place to the "United Press" special representative at Poona, when enquired if Gandhiji would allow press representatives to approach him.

COL. BHANDARI AT PARNAKUTI

Despite all efforts to restrict visits streams of visitors gathered at "Parnakuti" this morning to have Gandhiji's 'darshan' and among those who called on him in the morning were Col. Bhandari, Inspector General of Prisons, Mr. Amritlal Thakkar, Mr. Hutheesingh, Mr. Munshi and others.

Mrs. Sarojini Naidu with her daughter Padmaja Naidu arrived here this morning and they are likely to stay here till Tuesday whereafter Mrs. Naidu leaves for Bombay to attend a meeting of the Kasturba Memorial Fund to be held there on May 10. Immediately after her arrival she was closeted with Gandhiji for an hour.

MORNING MASSAGE

In the morning Dr. Dinshaw Mehta, a nature-cure specialist who attended on Mahatma Gandhi during his last February fast gave him massage which according to the doctor does give good relaxation to his system.

It appears that in view of listening and talking to visitors yesterday Gandhiji's blood pressure went up yesterday. Efforts are therefore being made by attendants and volunteers to restrict visiting hours and also visitors and for that purpose they are appealing to all those who are pouring in "Parnakuti" to have either talks or "darshan" of Gandhiji.

Kanu Gandhi, grandson of Mahatma Gandhi paid a visit to the Aga Khan's Palace to place wreaths and flowers on the spot where the bodies of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi and Mr. Mahadev Desai have been cremated.

WHAT WILL X-RAY EXAM. REVEAL?

"Everything depends upon doctors and the results of their X'ray to-morrow", observed Mr. Amritlal Thakkar who has been staying with Mahatma Gandhi since the latter's release discussing with the "United Press" representative about the place where Gandhiji should stay during his convalescent period.

In view of the conflicting amenities and special requirements of the patient and also in view of the full medical examination yet to be held, no final selection of a place seems to have been made. Consultations among the inmates of the "Parnakuti" on this question are however going on.

EVENING PRAYER

POONA, MAY, 7: SINCE THE AFTERNOON A LARGE CROWD BEGAN TO ASSEMBLE IN FRONT OF THE GATES OF 'PARNAKUTI' TO ATTEND THE EVENING PRAYER. GANDHIJI WAS CHEERED AS HE SQUATTED ON AN ELEVATED TERRACE OVERLOOKING THE GROUNDS FOR PRAYER, AND A GOOD COLLECTION WAS MADE AFTER PRAYERS FOR THE HARIJAN FUND.

MAYOR'S APPEAL TO CALLERS FOR DARSHAN'

BOMBAY, May 7.

Mr. Nagindas T. Master has issued the following statement:—

"It is a matter of immense relief that Mahatma Gandhi has been released. The intense desire of millions of men to see him merely to have a "darshan" of his can be understood and is to be highly appreciated. But, and I stress the "but" very strongly, it is to be remembered that though cheerful, as he always has been, he is physically weak and needs complete rest for some considerable time. I was with him the whole of yesterday and I found that though he met people cheerfully, the strain was great. While fully appreciating and respecting the desire of the public to meet him or to have his darshan, I appeal to all to refrain from calling on him or requiring his "darshan" for some time at least."—A. P.

LUCKNOW PRAYS FOR MAHATMA'S RECOVERY

LUCKNOW, May 7: A resolution expressing relief at the release of Mahatma Gandhi and praying for his speedy recovery and restoration to normal health was passed at a crowded public meeting of the citizens of Lucknow held this evening under the presidentship of Mr. Gopinath Srivastava.

WHOLE WORLD WILL REJOICE.

Gladys Owen, who has been acquainted with Mahatma Gandhi since the Round Table Conference comparing him to Jesus, said that the whole world would rejoice at the release of Mahatma Gandhi. For the last two years many people of this country and Great Britain were pleading for his release, and she was glad to say that their efforts had borne fruit.

Other speakers included Pandit Harishchandra Bajpai, M.L.A., Mr. Pralhad Shrimali, Mr. Gopal Narain Saxena, Mr. Shivaram Vaid, M.L.A., and Mr. Rashid Ahmed.—A. P.

NO EARLY POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS

(From Our Correspondent.)

POONA, May 7.

Speculations are on foot regarding Gandhiji's plans but with the present state his health and political developments are unlikely for sometime more.

Women's Prayer Meeting At City Temple

Under the auspices of several city Women's Associations a prayer meeting was conducted at the Narnarain Temple, Kalbadevi on Sunday evening when Mr. Nagindas T. Master, Mayor of Bombay, presided.

The Mayor while praying for the speedy recovery of Mahatmaji and for his long life, who is a friend, philosopher and guide to the whole world, advised the public not to strain him by trying to pay visits to him, at present. He welcomed Dr. Gilder who was also released along with Mahatmaji. Among those present at the meeting were, Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Smtis. Kamaladevi, Jai Shree Raiji and Hansa Mehta and others.

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Sandhurst Of The Air

LONDON: A Sandhurst of the air may be set up in Britain after the war for training British youths for careers in commercial flying. Preliminary arrangements are being discussed by the officials of the Overseas Airways Corporation.—India Press Service.

NOT A JAP PUPPET

Foolish To Imprison Him

NEW YORK, May 6: The New York "World Telegram" in an editorial to-day declares that the release of Mahatma Gandhi is a "triumph for British intelligence over stupidity" as well as a victory for Mahatma Gandhi. "It is a sign of British strength just as his imprisonment is evidence of weakness."

The paper calls the whole episode a "battle for face rather than for realities" and says the unconditional release at this time is a supreme gesture of British confidence in victory. "Britain was justified in jailing the Mahatma on the ground that with the Japs advancing in Burma he might lead nationalists in welcoming the invaders. If India was ready to trade British rule for Jap slavery it would be the most terrible condemnation of Britain conceivable. Of course it was not true.

"MORE A SAINT THAN EVER"

Gandhi said some silly things and did some dangerous things but he was fighting for Indian freedom—not to be a Jap puppet. It was foolish to imprison him because apart from justice, he was a stronger force in Jail than out. He is more a saint than ever. India's determination to get free of the British is deeper and wider than ever.

Even the nature of the imprisonment was as phony as the cause. His own home is a dirtfloor hut. His jail was the Aga Khan's palace where any luxury in the world was his for the asking—though he did not ask. They were afraid that the little man tough of spirit but frail in body would die on their hands.

The official reason given for his release now is ill health. They do not want to make a martyr. That is intelligent. The unconditional release of Gandhi at this moment is a supreme gesture of British confidence in victory, a nosethumbing at Japanese propaganda. We should like to think that the liberation of the Nationalist leader opens the way to another and more successful effort at a just British Indian settlement than the Cripps' mission which promised so much and achieved so little."—Reuter.

"Release Other Leaders Also"

LONDON, May 7: The leftwing Sunday newspaper, "Reynolds News", in a leader on Mahatma Gandhi's release says "we appeal to Government to use that fact as the starting point for a new attempt to mobilise the Indian people behind the war. This is India's war as well as ours, but the best elements in Indian opinion stand sullenly aloof from the struggle. They are men whose leadership is followed by the Indian masses.

Patience, generosity and toleration are the only solvents for the Indian problem. We urge Government to release other Congress leaders to encourage Hindu and Moslem opinion to meet and work out a settlement of their differences and to reopen the discussions which began on the Cripps' offer of two years ago."—Reuter.

NO CHANGE IN MAHATMA'S CONDITION

POONA, May 7:—"Gandhiji's condition remains much the same", says a bulletin on Mahatma Gandhi's health issued by Dr. Sushila Nayar.

It adds: "He felt very tired at the end of the day yesterday but had a fair amount of rest at night. The blood pressure shows marked fluctuations.

WARNING TO VISITORS

Under the circumstances it has become necessary to restrict the visiting hours from 2 to 3 p.m. and from 5 to 6 p.m. Visitors will greatly help by making their visits as short as possible, because talking or listening for more than a few minutes at a time exhausts him."—A.P.

KARACHI PRAYS FOR SPEEDY RECOVERY

KARACHI, May 7: A resolution praying for the speedy recovery of Mahatmaji and wishing him godspeed in his mission of serving humanity was passed, at a public meeting held this evening under the presidentship of the Mayor, Lala Shambhunath Mulraj. It also urged the release of other front rank leaders including Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan. —A. P.

NATIONALIST CHRISTIAN PARTY GREETINGS

BOMBAY, May 7: The Nationalist Christian Party, Bombay, has sent the following telegram to Mahatma Gandhi: "Nationalist Christian Party greets you on release and prays speedy recovery to lead India to freedom and world to peace." —A. P.

Will Govt. Give Facilities To Gandhiji To End Deadlock?

HE CAN PLAY A PART IN GREAT TASK OF UNIFICATION OF INDIA, SAYS M.P.

(FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, May 7.

The Indian community in London were agog with excitement and expectation as they read in newspapers news of Mahatma Gandhi's release. Swaraj House and India League, two important centres of Indians, were busy as enquiries for more news about Gandhiji's health were pouring in.

The "Evening Standard" published a long text of yesterday's health bulletin which made profound impression on the Indians here who feel very anxious about Gandhiji's recovery. However they have great faith in his ability of pulling through the crisis; in this connection his speech of August 8, 1942, is recalled in which he expressed his intention of living for 120 years.

Mr. Alfred Barns, an influential co-operative movement Member of Parliament and Director of the "Reynolds News" told the Press, "I am happy to learn that Mr. Gandhi has been released. I am aware of the indispensable character of Mr. Gandhi and his influence on the masses. He can play a part in the great task of unification of India.

"Mr. Gandhi is released solely on medical grounds. However I hope no difficulties will be created in his way of bringing about the unification of India and ending the unfortunate political deadlock."

Wavell's Surprise For His Councillors

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, May 6.

Gandhiji's unconditional release is generally welcomed here.

According to reports in New Delhi, London message of Gandhiji's release had been received by Agencies at least six hours earlier than Government of India's hand-out. The Viceroy and twelve members of his Council were away from Delhi. This further indicates that the release was arranged by Lord Wavell directly by communication with Whitehall.

As a matter of fact Indian members of the Council were not very pleased, not because Gandhiji is released but because they were not even informed much less, being consulted. It is said on their behalf that their consent to Gandhiji's arrest in August 1942 and their approval of policy against release of Gandhiji on the fast issue of 1943 was broadcast to the four corners of the world but they were not allowed to take credit for releasing Gandhiji now.

Another set of opinion hold the view that this is the turning of the tide for Jinnah and Mr. Jinnah's "monkeying with the Punjab Ministry" is one of the contributory causes for Gandhiji's unconditional release.

GERMAN PLAN FOR WITHDRAWAL?

EVACUATION OF CIVILIANS ORDERED?

LONDON, May 6.

From Reuter's special correspondent, Advanced Allied Headquarters, Italy: Field Marshal Kesselring is reported to have ordered the evacuation of all Italian civilians from the strip of country behind the lines of the opposing fifth army front to a depth of 20 miles.

SEQUEL TO FLOODING

This move follows the flooding of huge stretches of the Pontime marshes, which offer one possible link-up route for the Allied armies. German patrol activity on all sectors of the Italian front continues to accelerate. For the past fortnight the German staff has been trying desperately to thrust reconnaissance patrols behind the Allies.

Allied troops on the Anzio bridgehead launched a limited effort to improve their perimeter positions in the centre but ran into stonewall German defence. The Germans employed about a full company in a brisk counter-attack and a lively battle ensued as they were driven back.

NAZIS GO AT INDIANS

From Abdul Khalek Quershi, A.P.I. war correspondent with Indian troops in Italy: German snipers were busy firing across Indian positions near the Adriatic coast on Thursday and German mortar fire at several points was heavier than usual. Indian troops engaged both the snipers and the mortars with effective counter-fire.

ALEXANDER INSPECTS INDIANS

Gen. Alexander, Supreme Allied Commander in Italy, made a quick inspection of Indian and British troops, their sites, positions and billets to-day writes an Indian army observer.

Men of Baluch regiment were the first to meet the General.

NEW ZEALAND GENERAL WOUNDED

One of the finest soldiers New Zealand has produced Maj.-Gen. Howard Kippenberger, who was Battalion Commander is in England for the final treatment for a wound received in the Cassino battle. Gen. Kippenberger led his battalion in Greece, Crete and North Africa. He went to Italy as Brigadier and later succeeded Lt.-Gen. Sir Bernard Freyberg as Commander of the New Zealand Division.

RAIL CENTRES ATTACKED.

Mediterranean Allied Force Advance headquarters May 7: To-day's Allied communique states:

"LAND: Enemy raids on the Fifth Army bridgehead and the Upper Garigliano valley were repulsed. Normal patrolling and artillery activity took place on other fronts.

AIR: Yesterday strong forces of escorted heavy bombers attacked the important rail centres of Brasov, Turnu, Severin, Pitesta, Craiova and Campina with good results. Last night heavy and medium bombers attacked Bucharest. Bad weather yesterday prevented medium bombers from operating but light fighter bombers struck at supply dumps rail communications and road transport. Fighters maintained battle line patrols during these operations being enemy aircraft were destroyed and 14 of ours are missing. It is now known that 23 additional enemy aircraft were shot down on May 5th.

TITO'S TROOPS CONTINUE OFFENSIVE.

LONDON, May 7: Free Yugoslav radio quoted to-day's Yugoslav communique as stating that Marshal Tito's troops are continuing to conduct offensive operations in Sandjak Montenegro and Herzegovina.

Defensive fighting continues in Eastern Bosnia.

In Slovenia in 13 days' fighting Yugoslav troops occupied two German bases in Ljubljana area, derailed five trains, killed 500 German officers and men, and wounded 750 others. In attack on German mobilised column five tanks and armoured cars were destroyed and five tanks damaged.—Reuter.

CRUSHING BLOW TO JAPAN'S AIR FORCE

243 Aircraft Destroyed In Four Months

NEW DELHI, May 7: Staff Officer of Headquarters, Air Command, in the course of a broadcast talk to-night said:

"In a special order of the day to his American, British and Indian air and ground crews, Air-Marshal Sir John Baldwin, Air Commander of the Third Tactical Air Force, Eastern Air Command, has revealed that in the four months since its establishment this integrated air force has destroyed 175 fighters and 68 bombers, while a further 151 enemy aircraft have probably been destroyed or damaged.

The special task of the Third Tactical Air Force has been to seek out, harass and destroy Japan's air force on the Indo-Burma front. The enemy's strength was estimated as 200 to 250 aircraft. Sir John Baldwin's claim of 243 aircraft destroyed means that this force has been wiped out, has had to be completely replaced, and that the Japanese air crew strength on this line had had to be replenished from reserves, while its morale had had a solar-plexus punch.—A. P.

STOP PRESS

ALLIED WITHDRAWAL FROM BUTHIDAUNG

"No Jap Interference: Readjustment Of Positions In Arakan Carried Out"

KANDY, May 7.

Admiral Mountbatten's "communique" to-day reported that Allied troops carried out readjustment of positions in Arakan, including withdrawal from Buthidaung, without Japanese interference.

BATTLE FOR KOHIMA

KOHIMA FRONT, May 5: The battle of Kohima, which commenced in the early hours of yesterday morning, continued all day, to-day, again our artillery and tanks playing a prominent role, says D. R. Mankekar, A. P. I. War Correspondent.

The battle thickens as our forces converge on enemy positions in Kohima from three directions with Japanese resistance becoming more stubborn and desperate. The enemy mounted a counter-attack to-day in the vicinity of Kohima village and ousted our forces from "pimple", but later in the day we re-took that position.

In the District Commissioner's Bungalow area the enemy to-day laid a road-block which was, however, cleared by our tanks soon after. In the afternoon, Japanese aircraft appeared on scene and strafed our positions. Our "Ackacks" opened up and chased them away.

ALLIED PROGRESS

An idea of our progress may be gained from the fact that, whereas on the eve of the present battle the Japanese held three-fourths of the Kohima area, to-day our forces are holding more than half. We have penetrated a Japanese strongpoint, the Kuki Picket, and fierce fighting is going on this ridge as we push the enemy out of it.

In the south we dispute his position on G. P. T. Ridge, while the District Commissioner's Bungalow area is now practically cleared of the Japanese.—A. P.

POUNDING OF JAP POSITIONS IN IMPHAL VALLEY

CALCUTTA, May 6: Pilots of a hurri-bomber ground attack squadron of the Allied tactical air force have successfully attacked a Japanese bunker position within 50 yards of our own troops, says a despatch from the Imphal front on May 4.

The enemy had occupied a feature seven or eight miles from Palel and the army had asked for an air attack. It was the closest our troops had ever been to R. A. F. bombing support, and in difficult cloud conditions the squadron accurately carried out the army's request. Afterwards our troops attacked the position at bayonet point and found the Japanese in utter confusion.

The squadron is one of the oldest in the R. A. F.

Throughout recent weeks, the squadron has pounded Japanese positions in support of the army defending the Imphal valley. Targets have ranged from the Naga Hills down to the Japanese lines of communication across the Chindwin. During April, this squadron operated on 29 days out of 30 and carried out 603 sorties. At one time, the pilots flew 100 sorties in eighty days.

Sometimes, villages have to be bombed to support our advancing troops, and many of them have been left burning fiercely.—A. P.

"Not Under Jap Pressure"

Allied Hq. in Kandy, Ceylon, May 7.

The British withdrawal from Buthidaung, announced in to-day's communique from Admiral Mountbatten's headquarters, was definitely not made under Japanese pressure, says Sam Jackett, Associated Press of India war correspondent.

Buthidaung is no longer of tactical or strategic value, since the Allies have captured all hills commanding control of the Mangdaw-Buthidaung road. There is nothing of value in the village, which is constantly under shellfire."—A. P.

NO IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT IN IMPHAL PLAIN AREA

CEYLON, May 7: North and south of Kohima our troops are consolidating their recently captured positions. On 6th May, the Japanese made a series of strong but unavailing attacks between these areas against the perimeter of the Kohima defences. We have continued mopping up operations against isolated "pockets" of resistance which remained between our positions. There has been no imortant development in the area of the Imphal plain.

Enemy aircraft appeared over both the Kohima and Imphal areas and our ground forces claim two destroyed over Kohima and four destroyed and one probable over Bishenpur where "spitfires" destroyed two others. Allied aircraft were active in support of ground operations.

In the attempted raid over Bishenpur R.A.F. fighters intercepted more than 15 enemy aircraft destroying two enemy fighters. One enemy bomber was seen going down with its engine on fire.—A. P.

CHINESE ADVANCE

In the Mogaung Valley, North Burma, Chinese troops have advanced from Inkangahtawng to within 17 miles of Kamaing.

North and south of Kohima, Allied troops are consolidating recently captured positions, against which the Japanese made a series of strong but unavailing attacks against the perimeter of Kohima.—A. P.

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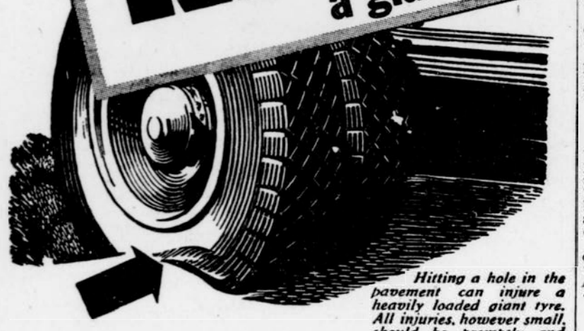

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JAPS IN SIGHT OF LOYANG

Chungking On "Prospect Of Graver Developments"

CHUNGKING, May 6.

(From Reuter's special correspondent). Japanese troops have come within sight of Loyang—six times the capital of China—in a sweep from the south-east towards the strategically vital Launghai Railway town.

The Chinese High Command tonight announce that the Chinese yesterday were fighting the Japanese only nine and half miles south of Loyang whose fall might open a propspect of even graver developments—a push westward towards the historic Sian on the route to Szechwan. If the push develops, the Japanese would at last realise their long cherished ambition of engaging the main strength of the Chinese army in a grand scale frontal clash —an ambition which the Chinese strategy of trading space for time has hisherto denied them.—Reuter.

Sikh University For Punjab?

LAHORE, May 6.

The All-Parties Sikh Conference has drawn up a scheme for establishing a Sikh University in the Punjab. Sardar Baldev Singh, Development Minister, has been appointed Chairman of the Sub-Committee for this purpose. The existing Sikh College and educational institutions in Punjab will be linked in the first instance as a nucleus for the proposed university. The Punjab Government will be approached to levy Sikh educational cess on Sikh Zemindars to be collected with land revenue for creating a fund for the University. Sikhs propose to collect twenty millions for this purpose.—O. P. I.

REBUILDING OF DESTROYED PROPERTIES

Sheriff's Assurance Of Taking Necessary Steps

Sir Shantidas Askuran, Sheriff of Bombay, has issued the following statement:—

The police and military cordons have been removed from the affected areas. People living in those parts have returned to their houses and have resumed their normal business. The only area which is still under cordon is the one which is either totally or very seriously destroyed. Landlords and tenants of that area have been given, with the help of the police and the members of my Committee, all facilities to remove their goods which were saved from the fire. The owners of property were also given opportunities of taking away their goods and valuables lying beneath the debris. It is hoped that within a week the Municipality will take over charge of the streets now under cordon, and will begin to remove the debris so that the area may be made fit for future construction.

ANXIETY FOR REBUILDING

The owners of properties that have been destroyed have been meeting me day after day and are extremely anxious to rebuild them as early as they can. They have requested me again and again to approach His Excellency the Governor and his Government and to urge upon them the urgent necessity of persuading the Supply Department of the Government of India to grant the highest priority for the release of such materials as may be required for reconstruction of their properties. I fully sympathise with this urgent need, and I hereby assure them that I have already urged upon the Government, and will urge upon them once more to take all immediate and necessary steps not only for giving priority for the release of the materials required by the owners for rebuilding their properties, but also for the purpose of housing the destitutes. I may add that I know that the Government are most anxious to help the owners in this matter and are seriously considering the question of housing for those who are rendered homeless.

DISTRIBUTION OF CLOTH

The Cloth Distribution Committee under my guidance has been giving 2 dhoties or 2 lounghies or 2 lenghas as the case may be and 2 shirts to each man or boy and 2 sarees and 2 cholies to each woman or girl. The work of distributing cloth has been very nearly completed in all the centres whether they are run by the Municipality, different communities or private individuals. There may be a numeor of men, women and children who may not have received the benefit of the distribution of cloth. The management, therefore of those centres where such cloth distribution has not taken place, are requested to forward immediately the list of their requirements. It may be added that the scheme is also to distribute cloth to middle class and respectable men and women, particularly those who do not wish to accept help openly. I would also appeal to all our well-known citizens, ladies and gentlemen to approach my Committee or to write to me for any type of help which they may find necessary for the destitutes and the homeless residing in the City or in the suburbs. I am always available at the enquiry office of the Committee at Mandvi between 11 and 12 in the mornings, and I shall make it a point to see any one who desires to approach me personally in connection with the above matters. I may further add that all letters that may be written to me and all interviews that may take place with me in connection with this subject will be treated as strictly confidential.

LODGE COMPLAINT WITH POLICE

I would strongly advise those who believe that their goods are stolen, should lodge the necessary complaint with the Police in that matter. I may also advise those who have lost their furniture and household goods, as a result of the fire and had not insured the same to submit a proper account of them to the Police and send a copy of the same to my Committee at the Municipal Office. It is essential that strict accuracy should be observed in regard to the valuation of the goods lost or damaged.

There are a number of people who have left Bombay and have gone to their homes in the up-country. They are requested to write to my Committee for such help that they may require either for food or cloth. They are also requested to send in a statement giving particulars of the place and house where they lived and they should also submit an estimate of the value of the property that they may have lost together with their proper identification. There are a number of small traders whose business has been lost. My Committee are prepared to render such help as may be possible to re-eslablish them in their business. They are, therefore, requested to give the fullest particulars of the facilities they require to enable them to re-start their business and I may tell them that the Committee will give their very prompt and favourable consideration to all that they need for doing so.

LIFE AND TEACHINGS OF BUDDHA

CALCUTTA, May 7: Speeches on the life and teachings of Lord Buddha were made by speakers at a public meeting held at the Mahabodhi Society Hall, this evening, in commemoration of the birth, enlightenment and Maha Parinirvana (death) of Buddha. The Mayor of Calcutta, inaugurated the meeting.

An exposition of the sacred relics of Lord Buddha was also arranged on the occasion.

The relics included a tooth of the Lord presented to the Society by Lord Ronaldsay, when he was Governor of Bengal.—A. P.

NEW RULER OF GONDAL

NEW DELHI, May 7: The Resident, West India Agency presented His Majesty the King Emperor's Kharita to his His Highness the Maharaja Bhojraji Saheb in a ceremonial Darbar held at Gondal this morning, says a message from Gondal dated Saturday May 6.

His Highness declared a donation of Rs. 2-1/2 lakhs for Indian soldiers, the Red Cross, St. Dunstan's Nursing Association and the Tuberculosis Fund. —A. P.

MARRIAGE DINNER PARTIES

(From A Correspondent.)

INDORE, May 6.

It is reported that the marriage dinner parties are rampant, setting the laws at naught here though the Holkar Government order restricting feeding of people to 50 was notified in the Gazette.

CALCUTTA: A large number of Hindu-owned shops in the city remained closed on Sunday in observance of a hartal declared by the Hindu Mahasabha as a protest against the introduction of the Bengal Secondary Education Bill.

ALIGARH, May 7: The name of the Municipal Board has been changed and the new name given to it is the City Board. The change in the name of the Board has increased the powers of the Chairman and the Executive Officer both.—United Press.

TARGETS IN BERLIN AND GERMAN TOWNS ATTACKED

Yards At Nantes Raided: Mines Laid In Enemy Waters

LONDON, May 7.

The United States headquarters announced to-day that very strong forces of Flying Fortresses and Liberators, escorted by fighters in very great strength, attacked military targets in Berlin and elsewhere in Germany to-day.

NANTES YARDS RAIDED

The Air Ministry announced to-day: "Night aircraft of the Bomber Command made a heavy attack on important railway yards at Nantes, some 30 miles north-west of Paris. Other forces attacked ammunition-dumps at Aubigne-Racan, about 35 miles north-west of Tours and Sable-Sur-Sarthe, about 30 miles south-west of Le Mans.

Objectives were clearly identified and bombing was well concentrated. Attacks were also made on Ludwigshafen and objectives in Western Germany. Mines were laid in enemy waters. Five of our aircraft are missing."

ENGLISH CHANNEL CROSSINGS

Strong forces of Allied bombers and fighters crossed and recrossed the English Channel early to-day to continue the air offensive. The Cologne radio broadcast a warning "an enemy bombers formation are approaching north-west Germany."—Reuter.

Enemy Merchant Vessels Damaged

LONDON, May 7.

An Air Ministry communique today announced that Beaufighters of the Coastal Command last night and yesterday evening damaged five merchant vessels and several escort vessels, off the Frisian Islands and damaged one merchantship off the Norwegian coast for a loss of one Beaufighter.—Reuter.

Round-The-Clock Bombing

From Reuter's special correspondent at Allied Headquarters in Italy May 7.

Thousand-bomber raids from Italy, similar to those from England on Germany are "confidently anticipated" here as the round-the-clock bombing of Rumanian target continues. Allied bombers attacked Bucharest again last night—the fourth attack on Rumanian communication targets in the past fort-eight hours. —Reuter.

Bucharest Ry. Yards Raided

From Reuter's Special Correspondent Allied Headquarters Mediterranean May 7:

Heavy bombers to-day bombed the main railway yards at Bucharest.

Another formation of Fortresses, escorted by Thunderbolts, attacked Belgrade-Pancevo Railway bridge which is on the only artery open to Sofia on the Orient-Express route.—Reuter.

AXIS SHIP DAMAGED

LONDON, May 6: Attacking German shipping off the Norwegian coast, last night, R.A.F. Coastal Command Beau-Fighters damaged a medium sized merchant vessel, the Air Ministry stated to-night. One aircraft is missing.

SHELVE INDIAN ISSUE TILL END OF WAR

DURBAN, May 6: A suggestion that all deliberations on the Indian question be held in abeyance until the war's end is made in a letter to the Minister of Interior, Mr. Clarkson, from Ward I and II of the Citizens' Association.

The letter says: "Many thousands of citizens are away on active service and they are thus unable to be consulted on this matter. During their absence a well-designed and carefully planned scheme was engineered by an insignificant percentage. The Indian community is being propagated with the object of incorporating into the South African nation a solid and unassimilable block of Asiatics."

PEGGING ACT CONTROVERSY

DURBAN, May 5: A meeting of the Durban General Council Dominion Party has passed a resolution associating the party with other public bodies which are opposed to any provincial legislation having as an object the repeal of the Pegging Act. The party also resolved to join with other public bodies in calling a public protest meeting.—Reuter.

Japs Now Surrender Instead Of Fighting Till Death

LONDON, May 7.

From Reuter's Special Correspondent at the Allied Headquarters in South-west Pacific: Japanese troops for the first time since Tojo's men started their South-Pacific drive two years ago are now giving themselves up voluntarily to Gen. MacArthur's tropic war veterans. This new development in morale is reported today from the Hollandia sector of North New Guinea.

The American troops mopping up in Dutch New Guinea after their successful Hollandia landings are now finding that Japanese troops are surrendering freely. Before, even trapped men fought to death. Upto May 3 the number of Japanese prisoners taken exceeded 150 while the Japanese dead totalled 697.—Reuter.

MORE BLOWS ON JAP BASES IN CAROLINES

WASHINGTON, May 6: Two more blows at Japanese bases in the Carolines were struck by American heavy bombers on May 4 and 5. In the first raid 87 tons of bombs thoroughly covered Ponape town and dock areas starting large fires and explosions. Truk Atoll was attacked before dawn on the 5th.

Nimitz's communique also reports a raid on Japanese positions in the Marshall Islands.

Six Months For Defying Restrictions

CAMBELLPUR, May 6: Mr. Girdhari Lal Puri, a Congress worker, has been sentenced to six months' R.I. under the Restriction and Detention Ordinance 1944 on a charge of defying the restrictions imposed on him at the time of his release.

According to the prosecution the accused had been served with a notice directing him to report himself at the police station, Cambellpur, every Sunday. The accused did not comply with the restrictions and was subsequently arrested in Peshawar. —A. P.

K. B. SAKSARIA DEAD

BOMBAY, May 6.

Death occurred at the early age of 22 of Mr. Kesardeo Bholaram Saksaria, nephew of Seth Govindram Saksaria, in the early hours of to-day.

The late Mr. Kesardeo was the Director of the Indore Malwa Mills and the Govindram Brothers and was connected with many commercial and industrial concerns. The deceased leaves behind him a young widow. The offices of the many commercial firms with which he was connected remained closed to-day as a mark of respect to the deceased.—United Press.

THROWING HITLER OVERBOARD!

Part Peace Plan Worked Out In U. S.

LONDON—Germany's biggest industrialists are getting ready to throw Hitler overboard. According to reliable reports reaching Washington German business representatives in neutral countries are seeking favourable peace terms for Germany. In return, they will give up all conquered territories and Hitler, says Herald Hutchins, the British United correspondent in Washington in a recent dispatch. Quoting certain sources, Mr. Hutchins says:

"According to Emil Ludwig, the famous German emigre writer in U S there are 2,000 such businessmen who are seeking to renew their old ties with pre-war associates in Allied and neutral countries with the main object of preventing revolution and chaos in Germany. The majority of German businessmen and industrialists are willing to give up all conquered territories including Alsace and Lorraine."

"Certain sections of the Nazi High Command," the correspondent continues, "are willing to play their part in the defeat of Hitler and already one General is thought of having been chosen to play a role similar to that taken by Badoglio." He quotes:

"Johanese Steel, a U.S. radio commentator asserts that part of the peace plan has been worked out by a group of Germans in U.S including Dr. Bruning, an Ex-German Minister, Paul Scheffer, Putzlhianf Staemd Prince Huburtus Lowenstein and Countess Rossie Waldek who recently wrote a book advocating an Allied deal with Dr. Schacht, the economist and wizard of Nazi Finance."—India Press Service.

CHEAT WHO LEAVES BOYS AS SECURITY FOR GOODS —WARNED

There has recently been a spate of cases, mostly in the Pydhoni, Dongri and Bhendi Bazar areas in which a person described as a Muslim aged between 25 and 30 has cheated jewellers and cloth-shop keepers by the expedient of leaving young boys (lured from public streets, etc. by promises of sweets or on some similar pretext) in the shop as 'security' against goods taken on approval.

This cheat enters shops accompanied by a young boy whom he represents to be his son or young brother. He obtains saris or gold ornaments, etc., on approval to show his wife who, according to him, lives in a building occupied by orthodox purdah ladies who would resent the approach of any representative of the shopkeeper. Having allayed the shopkeeper's suspicions by leaving his 'son' in the shop as security and proof of his 'bona fides', the cheat takes away the goods and fails to return. After waiting for some time the shopkeeper becomes anxious and questions the boy from whom he learns he has been the victim of a ruse as the boy is invariably a total stranger to the cheat by whom he has generally been 'packed up' in the street and given or promised sweets or money for the job of accompanying the cheat unquestioningly and keeping a still tongue in his head.

Shopkeepers, especially of the types and in the areas mentioned, are advised to look out for this cheat and to hand him over to the police if he comes to notice.

APPEAL DISMISSED

LUCKNOW, May 6: The appeal of 22 Muslims, who were sentenced to transportation for life by the Additional Sessions Judge, in the case arising out of the communal riot in the village of Amola on 'Holi' day (March 20), has been dismissed by Their Lordships, Mr. Justice Bennett and Mr. Justice Madeley at the Oudh Chief Court.—A. P.

JHANSI, May 6: A huge military truck collided with a lorry at Moth, 26 miles from Jhansi. Six persons including one police constable were injured and removed to the hospital. The condition of three of them is reported to be serious—A. P.

GERMAN REPLY TO SWEDISH PROTEST

STOCKHOLM, May 7: Germany's reply to the Swedish protest about the finding of German military maps has now been delivered in Stockholm, according to usually reliable quarters.

It is believed to state that the maps were part of routine transfer of military documents as is usual between a country and its armed forces in other theatres.—Reuter.

Mussolini's Son Arrested

ZURICH, May 7: Mussolini's son Vittorio has been arrested for aiding deserters, say reliable diplomatic reports here.

The Rome correspondent of Basle "Nichreten" says he was arrested in Rome although Rome newspapers made no mention of the fact.—Reuter.

REVERSE LEND-LEASE FROM U. S. TO INDIA

35 Million Dollars In January And February Of 1944

WASHINGTON, May 7.

The United States Foreign Economic Administration announced that American military forces in India have received materials worth more than 35 million dollars as reverse lend-lease in the first two months of this year. One half of this was represented by petroleum products. The volume in two months was equal to the total received during the entire year 1942 and about one half of the total received during 1943.—Reuter.

COMMON LANGUAGE OF EAST AND WEST

Nizam Urges Subjects To Learn English Language

HYDERABAD (Dn.) May 7.

The importance of the English language as a common language in the East and the West is stressed by His Exalted Highness the Nizam, in the course of an article in a local Urdu daily.

English, he adds, is spoken and understood in every quarter of the globe. Books on every conceivable art of science can be found in this language. The day is not far off when English will become the common language of the people in the West and the East, he says.

The popularity of Basic English, the Nizam adds, is a pointer towards this end. His Exalted Highness advises his subjects, those belonging to aristocratic families, to shed their narrow-mindedness and learn the English language in order that they may be better able to fulfil their responsibilities and obligations.—A. P.

Roosevelt Returns To Washington

WASHINGTON, May 7: President Roosevelt returned to Washington today after one month's vacation in the South.—Reuter.

GURKHA SUBEDAR'S PLUCK

NEW DELHI, May 7: A Gurkha Subedar, whose Commanding Officer was fatally wounded in a jungle battle in Burma took over command and stopped the Japs from forcing their way into one of our strongholds, writes an Indian army observer.—A. P.

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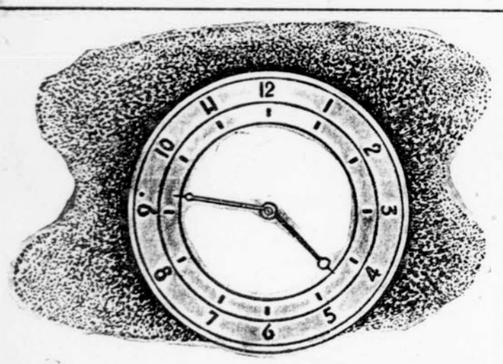

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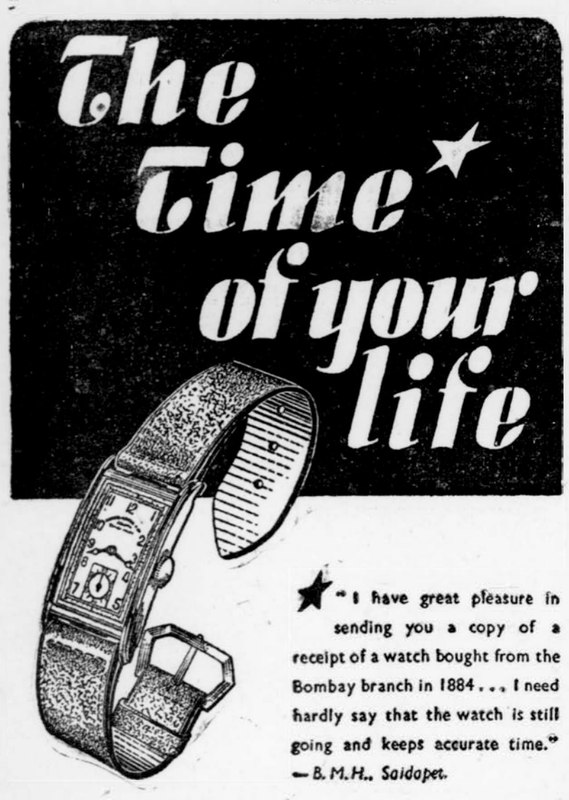
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Domestic Occurrence

DEATH

KABADI, PANDURANG GOVIND.—father of Ramrao, Waman, Sunder and Madu—passed away peacefully at the ripe old age of 78 on Friday afternoon of heart failure. Deeply mourned by children and grandchildren.

To-day's Engagements

UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY: The Inter-Science Practicals in Physics, Chemistry and Biology will commence in Bombay from today (Monday) at the Colleges already notified.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Special meeting to celebrate the anniversary of the passing of H. P. Blavatsky today (Monday) 6-15 p.m. Jehangir Wadia Building, Flora Fountain.

BOMBAY THEOSOPHICAL FEDERATION: Public celebration of the White Lotus Day in the Besant Hall, Blavatsky Lodge, French Bridge, Chowpatty today (Monday) at 6-45 p.m. There will be short speeches and music.

MAYOR'S RELIEF FUND: Swadeshi Charitable Stores, Gadodia Building, Kalbadevi Road has donated a sum of Rs. 2,500 to the Mayor's Relief Fund for the relief of the victims of the Docks explosion.

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS' ASSOCIATION: The annual general meeting of Elecrical Contractors' Association was held when the 19th annual report and audited statements of accounts of the Association for the year ended 31st December, 1943 were adopted, and a new managing committee was formed for the year 1944-45 with Mr. V. M. Thanawalla as President.

MARWADI SAMMELAN: The Marwadi Sammelan has distributed 1,350 dhotis and saris in different centres. About 23 persons have been given railway tickets to go to their native places. Daily 130 persons living in the centre are given food. The committee has passed 1,100 for dock workers living in different centres.

BANAJI-LIMJI AGIARI ANNIVERSARY: The 236th anniversary of the Banaji-Limji Agiari, the oldest fire-temple in Bombay, will be celebrated on Wednesday (May 10) when the Jashan ceremony will be performed at 9 a.m. (B. T. under the direction of Dastur Minocher Kaikhashru, followed by another Jashan ceremony arranged by Parsi residents of the areas adjoining the fire-temple at 4 p.m. (B. T.). The customary evening Jashan ceremony will then be performed at 7 p.m. (B. T.), in celebration of the Ader festival.

VEGETABLE, FRUIT AND FLOWER SHOW—1944

Lovers of flowers, educational institutions etc., will be interested to know that a film in natural colour of the Vegetable, Fruit and Flower Show held at the Brabourne Stadium on the 7th and 8th March, 1944, including the various prize-winning gardens entitled 'Bombay Flower Show' has been produced by Dr. D. Sarawal, of 'Cinephoto House', 32/D, North Vincent Road, Bombay, 19, and is still available for free show and will be distributed by the 'Cinephoto India' if people interested would communicate with them at the above address.

EXPANDED ASSEMBLY FOR HYDERABAD

Nizam's Assurance To Executive Council

HYDERABAD (Dn.), May 7.

"I hold my subjects very dear and have at heart their prosperity and advancement. It is therefore incumbent on may Government to put into effect as quickly as possible all measures necessary for the progress and welfare of the people under my guidance which I shall give from time to time", declared H. E. H. the Nizam replying to a memorial submitted by the Nizam's Executive Council on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of its establishment.

The memorial referred to the all-round progress of the state in the past 25 years and to the need for reconstitution and expansion of the Council after the war.

"The alliance of the Asafia House with the British Government", the memorial said: "is old as well as firmly established and the ruler of Hyderabad is recognised as 'a faithful Ally of the British Government.'"

Continuing the Nizam said: "I trust that a new and expanded Legislative Assembly will be of material assistance to my Government by keeping them in touch with public opinion on matters of public importance and will also help knit closer together the ties uniting my people with my Government."—A. P.

Setalvad's Hopes Of United India

BANGALORE, May 7: Sir Chimanlal Setalvad who came here last evening on his way to Ootacamund for a holiday, interviewed by Associated Press on Mr. Gandhi's release" said: "There will be great relief and satisfaction throughout the country at the unconditional release of Mr. Gandhi because of his bad health, and it will be the earnest wish and hope of everybody that he is soon restored to perfect health. When he has regained his health, it is hoped, he would take stock of the situation in the country and take measures to treat the August 1942 resolution as dead letter and to bring about complete understanding between the two major political parties and thereby facilitate the establishment of National Governments both in the centre and provinces, so that the defence of the country and fight against aggression of Japan can vigorously be carried on with the support of a united India."—A. P.

Jamnadas Mehta's Plea Before I. L. O. Conference

PHILADELPHIA, May 5: Prohibition of colour and religious bars and other discriminatory practices with respect to conditions of labour in dependent territories was to-day urged by the International Labour Office Committee. Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, president of the Indian Federation of Labour and Member of the Committee, said that in India there was discrimination not only in the matter of employment but also education and health facilities. Hundreds of thousands of Indian workers were affected.

The Committee endorsed the proposed recommendation by the International Labour Office that "discrimination directed against workers belonging to certain races and concessions with regard to admission to public or private employment shall not be permitted."

Mr. Mehta submitted an amendment to the recommendation in which he urged the I.L.O. conference "to invite the Governing body to examine the most appropriate means by which benefits of the conventions and recommendations adopted by the I.L.O. may be extended to workers and other persons residing within those dependent territories".—Reuter.

Harin In 'Voice Of Bengal'

To Appear In People's Theatre Show To-night

Harindranath Chattopadhyaya—poet, actor, playwright and musician—will participate in some of the songs and dances to-night in the People's Theatre show, "The VOICE OF BENGAL", to be performed for last time at the Marathi Stage Centenary Pandal (behind Charni Road Station) at 9 p.m.

The Saturday night show drew a record crowd of nearly five thousands. Madame Sophia Wadia who presided delivered an inspiring speech, beginning with a feeling reference to the country-wide joy at the release of Gandhiji. She said that whenever and wherever people strove to serve mankind, it was but natural to think of Gandhiji more than whom none had so selflessly served his people. She exhorted the audience to donate all they could for the cause of hungry and epidemic-ridden Bengal.

A portrait sketch of Gandhiji, done by the Bengali artist, Chittaprosad, was auctioned by Harindranath Chattopadhyaya and after brisk bidding was acquired by a Muslim lady, Mrs. Fatmah Ismail, for Rs. 3,550 the whole amount going to Bengal and Bombay Relief funds.

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OVER 500 "UNSAFE" BUILDINGS TO BE DEMOLISHED

Salvage Work In Progress: Several Citizens Recover Their Belongings

Over 500 buildings which are unsafe for habitation after the explosion and fires of April 14 are in need of demolition within the next few days. The work has already been undertaken in right earnest. The City Engineer and Lt.-Col Seymour Williams have been authorised by the Government of Bombay to arrange for this work. The City Engineer is anxious that all demolition work should be completed before the break of the monsoon.

Salvage work is in progress and more than 3,000 citizens have been able to recover many of their belongings from the debris. Recovery of about 25,000 bags of food grains from Government godowns during the week was a windfall for Bombay.

Memon Merchants Emergency (Claims) Committee

Mr. H. Ismail, Hon. Secretary, Memon Merchants Emergency (Claims) Committee writes:—

The Memon Merchants' Emergency (Claims) Committee has been formed with the object of rendering assistance to Memon merchants of Bombay who have suffered loss as a consequence of the events that took place in Bombay on the 14th April, 1944. The Committee consists of leading and influential merchants and is taking immediate steps to relieve distress caused to Memon merchants whose loss in the affected area is estimated at rupees one crore.

I believe that problems arising out of the present emergency can be more effectively tackled and solved by concerted action on the part of those who are out to render help. I, therefore, suggest that a meeting of the representatives of all public bodies that have taken upon themselves the tasks of relieving distress should be called without delay.

FREEDOM GROUP'S APPEAL

Prof. P. A. Wadia, the President of the Freedom Group, has issued the following for the information of the citizens:

The need for funds for relief of distress of the victims of the explosion is still very great. The Freedom Group, has decided to make house to house collections in certain areas. Workers, with written authority from me will go from house to house with collection boxes, and lists. Those paying more than Rs. 5 will kindly enter their names and addresses and sum paid by them on the list.

RE-OPEN MULJI JETHA MARKET BOOKING OFFICE

The Hon. Secretary, Bombay Shroffs (Bankers) Association Limited has written a letter to the Agent, G.I.P. Rly., Bombay, regarding closure of the ticket office in the Mulji Jetha Market, urging him to reconsider his decision and to re-open the ticket office in the Mulji Jetha Market for the convenience of the public.

ARMY POST OFFICE FOR G.H.Q.

G.H.Q., India, now has it's own Post Office. Throughout the Secretariat boxes labelled "G.H.Q." Army Post Office Letter Box" have appeared beside the familar red pillar boxes.

Located in the same compound as the G.H.Q. Postal Clearing House, the new A.P.O. will operate 24-hourly and will deal with all official mail, both inland and overseas.

Progress Of Rationing In Bombay Province

Considerable progress has been made in the preparatory work for the early introduction of Food Rationing in all the towns of Bombay Province. Over 50 Rationing Officers have finished their training in Bombay, and are busy with the preparatory work in their towns. The work of numbering the houses and enumerating the residents has already started in several towns.

Sixty-seven towns and urban centres having a population of 15,000 persons or more each will be brought under Rationing in the first stage, as also a few other important towns with smaller populations. In the second stage, rationing would be extended to towns with a population of 10,000 or over.

BOMBAY HIGH COURT

Kania To Act As Chief Justice

NEW DELHI, May 7.

A press "communique" says:—The Hon'ble Sir Leonard Stone, Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court, having been deputed to act as President of the Commission to inquire into the recent fire and explosions in the Bombay Docks, the Governor-General has been pleased to appoint the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Harilal Jekisondas Kania, Kt., to perform the duties of the Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court during the absence on deputation of the Hon'ble Sir Leonard Stone.—A. P.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The Governor of Bombay administered the oath of the office of Ag. Chief Justice of Bombay to the Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. J. Kania, at Government House, Bombay.

LUCKNOW, May 6: An attache case containing jewelly and cash worth about Rs. 13,000 is reported to have been stolen from a compartment of the Lucknow-Sharanpur Passenger, according to a report received here.

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Direction: VIJAY BHATT

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Daily: 3-30, 6-30 Hindi, 9-45 p.m. Marathi

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Directed by NANDLAL JASHWANTLAL

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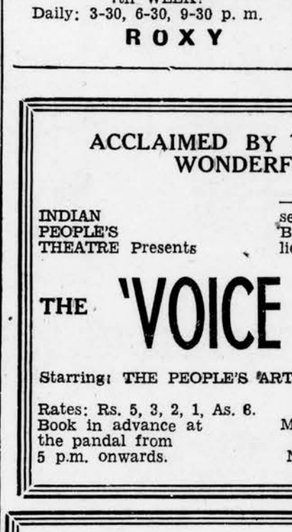

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Daily: 4, 7, 10 p.m.

Fri., Sat., Sun. 1-15 p.m.

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, May 7.

The following is the weather-chart showing maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 8 hours on 5/5/44:—

Allahabad 109 76 nil; BOMBAY 92 81 nil Calcutta 95 82 nil; Cawnpore 107 76 nil; Cuttack 102 84 nil; Darjeeling 66 54 nil; Delhi 104 76 nil; Dehra Dun 97 64 nil; Jacobabad 110 76 nil; Kamchi 86 77 nil; Lahore 102 67 nil; Lucknow 110 76 nil; Madras 87 80 nil; Nagpur 113 87 nil; Patna 95 79 nil; Peshawar 97 70 nil; Shillong 77 65 nil; Simla 73 56 nil.—A. P.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

All nations, large or small, which respect the rights of others are entitled to freedom from outside interference in their internal affairs.

—Mr. Cordell Hull.

The Bombay Chronicle

RELEASE AND AFTER

Gandhiji's release has been received with a feeling of relief all over the country and will be so received by all those who know what his life means to India, the war and world peace. The feeling of jubilation has been prevented by the thought that Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan and other Congress leaders are still in jail and also by the fear that Gandhiji must have been very seriously ill to be allowed to be free by the British Government. But the news that on the very day of his release Gandhiji was able to be present at the public prayers and to appeal for funds for Harijan uplift indicates that presumably he was not bed-ridden on Friday but the Viceroy refused to take any further risks. We congratulate Lord Wavell on his decision. We are also grateful to him, as the consequences of his further obduracy would have been terrible to contemplate But the talk of his statesmanship, nobility and all that is at least premature, so long as Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan is in jail, though seriously ill, and so long as other Congress leaders continue to be prisoners and utterly isolated from the world. The gushing tributes to the Viceroy only show how forgiving many Indians are. But many things continue to be done which may be forgiven but cannot be easily forgotten.

For the time being the one thing that matters most is Gandhiji's recovery. That is now a question of time, of days rather than weeks. It can be expedited if his friends and admirers spare him strain as far as possible. Many of them have a natural desire to do something to make him feel happy. One of the best things they can do he has already indicated. He has taken the earliest physically possible opportunity to make an appeal—at the time of public prayers, as if the appeal were a part of the prayers—for funds for Harijan uplift. His friends and admirers cannot do better than respond promptly and generously to the appeal. That will certainly have a tonic effect upon him and hasten his recovery.

Gandhiji's recovery being now a matter of a few days, many have naturally begun already to discuss what he will and should do when he will have completely recovered. There is not the least doubt that very soon he will explain more fully than he could in his letter to Lord Linlithgow that neither he nor the Congress ever contemplated or condoned the slightest departure from his creed of non-violence, which is also the creed of the Congress. He will also repudiate the lie that either he or the Congress was pro-Japanese or pro-Fascist. He will give, too, the correct interpretation of the A.I.C.C. resolution of August 1942 and leave the world to judge between the Congress and the British Government. Finally, he will take the earliest opportunity to reopen the door to negotiations with Mr. Jinnah. All this he will do even without reference to the Congress leaders still in jail. But to take further steps towards a general settlement he will insist, and rightly insist, on those leaders being consulted before he says anything likely to commit the Congress. All this is so plain that many in India and Britain have already appealed to Government to release also the leaders in jail. Whatever the Government does, no settlement is possible without their release. On the other hand, a fair settlement if only of a temporary character, seems far more probable now than ever before if only the British Government resumes negotiations with Congress at the point the Cripps talks broke down.

Lawyers And Lawlessness

The present regime of repression was justly denounced by persons who know law best at the Madras Lawyers' Provincial Conference held at Kumbakonam a few days ago. And not the least severe condemnation came from the ex-Advocate-General of Madras, Sir Alladi Krishnaswami Iyer, the President of the Conference. He pointed out how within the last few years there was hardly any subject of importance in regard to which the ordinance-making power had not been invoked, that the total number of ordinances passed by the Governor-General far outweighed the number of Acts passed by the Indian legislature and that there was no similar authority anywhere in the English-speaking world who had anything like the powers of legislation of the Governor-General. And in view of the many irregularities and injustices in the Ordinances, as pointed out by the Federal Court, the President recommended the formation of committees in every Bar Association to study and suggest the modification or repeal of the Ordinances. It has been urged by some that Ordinances are indispensable in war times and that they are to be found even in Britain. But in Britain and other free countries the Governments are in one way or other responsible to the people and take care to issue ordinances on exceptional and urgent occasions, when normal legislation is not immediately possible. Secondly, due safeguards are provided to prevent the abuse of the Ordinances. But in India the Government is in no sense responsible to the people, issues ordinances even when it is possible to consult the legislature and often fails to provide safeguards to protect the rights of the people to consult the legislature and been systematically flouted to suit administrative convenience.

Bad as many Ordinances are, the way they are often enforced is far worse. Sir Alladi, therefore, suggested the establishment of a panel of lawyers willing and ready to offer their services when the liberty of a subject is threatened The suggestion was embodied in a resolution of the Conference and deserves to be accepted by Bar Associations in other provinces also. As Sir Alladi pointed out, eternal vigilance is the price of liberty. Realising, however, that the present regime of repression cannot be wholly ended under the present system of Government, the Conference urged the British Government to establish a National Government in India. But till such a Government is established patriotic lawyers will have much work to do in protecting the elementary rights of the people. Nay, as Sir Alladi pointed out, it is the duty of lawyers to play a greater part in the politics of the country. They must not be content with asking for a National Government They should help to make the demand irresistible.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

War Of Nerves

How badly the present Allied war of nerves is affecting the Nazi leaders is seen from the article contributed by Dr Goebbels to the weekly journal "Das Reich." "The difficult trip of the enemy to the European coast," writes Dr. Goebbels, "will be the signal for a whole host of surprises which he simply cannot have taken into account. We still have a few trump cards up our sleeves". The reference is of course to the secret weapons which the Nazis have been threatening and boosting ever since the war began. Lately however even their propaganda value has sadly diminished and the German people who see their homes and cities being destroyed systematically by the Allied air blitz can hardly have any faith left in the last minute trump cards of the Nazis. The conclusion arrived at by Dr. Goebbels that "on a sober judgment of the chances on either side, we find we have reason to be confident" itself betrays his own doubts and suspicions. There can now be only one end of the war—Allied victory—though this does not mean that the invasion will prove a cake walk. Even without the help of any secret weapons the German soldier may be trusted to fight to the bitter end.

Manipur Front

Though the Allied mopping operations are proceeding satisfactorily on both the Kohima and Imphal fronts, taking a daily increasing toll of Japanese lives, it cannot be said that all danger is past in these two areas. The Japanese have still to be dislodged completely from the strategical positions occupied by them in Kohima three weeks ago. In the Imphal area, though the Japanese have lost as many as 5,700 in killed alone since 10th March, they have not given up their attempts to press towards the capital. They are evidently setting store by the diversion created by them by their westward thrust along the Bishenpur-Silchar track. Seac communiques have been telling us merely that 'contact is being maintained with the enemy'. It is not clear whether such contact is with the enemy's rear or front. If it is with the rear of the enemy's columns pushing towards the Bengal-Assam Railway, the public would be in a better position to appreciate the gravity or otherwise of the situation if they are given some idea of the progress made by the enemy. One sincerely hopes that the Japanese are being successfully held up in this area. Though latterly a few of their aircraft have been putting in appearance on the Kohima and Imphal fronts, it is satisfactory to find that the majority of them have been shot down by Allied fighters.

Set-Backs

The Allied withdrawal from Buthidaung, though it was effected 'without Japanese interference', as the official communique describes it, is an unfortunate set-back no doubt, but since the Allies are reported to be in occupation of all the hills commanding control of the Maungdaw-Buthidaung road, the significance of the loss of the village to the Allies and its possession by the Japanese need not be exaggerated. The event will merely strengthen the stalemate on this front. More serious, however, is the report coming from China that the Japanese troops have arrived within sight of Loyang. If Loyang falls, it is stated it will open the prospect of even greater developments, namely a push towards Szechwan and later a frontal clash with the main Chinese army. One does not know whether the Chinese troops at Loyang are sufficiently equipped to stem the Japanese advance. One can only hope they are.

Long-Needed Judicial Reforms

In his recent address to the East India Association in London Sir John Beaumont, ex-Chief Justice of Bombay, made out a strong plea for the separation of the Judiciary from the Executive. The present system of placing magistrates under the control of the Executive, he said, was thoroughly vicious, and recent events have proved it to be most obnoxious. He admitted that there were several difficulties in the way of separation. And these very difficulties perhaps prevented the Congress Governments from introducing the reform. But we believe, with Sir John, that the difficulties are not insuperable and we regret the Congress Governments did not attempt to overcome them. Sir John also strongly pleaded for the abolition of the Judicial branch of the I.C.S. An I.C.S. judge, he said, "tends to look at cases from the government angle and is reluctant to see any legal objection to practices wherein he has taken part. Moreover, never having practised at the Bar, he has not seen other judges at work and noted their strong and weak points, nor as a rule is he skilful in handling the Bar". Secondly, the selection of judges from amongst Government servants was, he declared, contrary to sound constitutional principles and only justifiable in the absence of a suitable field of selection but in most parts of India there would be no difficulty in securing thoroughly efficient district judges from the ranks of the Bar and the provincial judicial service These suggestions deserve to be seriously considered by Government as they come from one who was one of the most eminent Chief Justices of India and also support the long-standing demands of the people.

Bombay's Tragedy & Insurance Companies

The report appearing in the paper, indicates that the insurance companies involved in the recent fires of 14-4-1944, are not legally liable to pay the claims under conditions Nos. 6 and 7 of the policy. So far as I am aware from the practical point of view these conditions apply only to a particular risk covered under the policy and are not valid for the damage done to any insured property on account of outside accidental cause. I am certainly incapable of going into the merits of the legal aspect of the issue, but from the practical point of view an instance may be quoted of a building owned by A is on fire by any cause restricted under the policy conditions and the fire spreads to the opposite building owned by B, the claim made by B is admitted and paid. This fire has raised a complicated issue and has also caused a stir in the minds of general public against the insurance companies which have so well developed business in this great city. It would, therefore, be better in the interest of the insurance business, both foreign and Indian insurance companies who are interested on the risk, to come out with a bold stand to meet the liability inasmuch as suitable a manner as they can. According to my long experience none of the policy conditions will relieve the companies from their moral obligations of paying the claims. There is no such instance, where any company has taken shelter upto this moment of any policy condition at the time of payment of claims except in cases of incendiarism, cheating and misstatements. To take shelter of policy conditions in case of *accidental fires* is in itself defeating the object of the term *'insurance'* and to create doubts in the minds of the general public as to the validity of an insurance policy. If the claims are not admitted by the insurance companies I am afraid the confidence gained by the insurance companies will be shaken and the entire insurance business will be ruined. To gain the public confidence and to create an atmosphere of trust for conduct of future business the companies involved must come out with a solution to meet the liability.

INSURANCE.

Post-War Advertising Planning!

RIO DE JANEIRO: Several Latin-American countries are planning to invite representatives of leading British Advertising Agencies to their capitals to discuss post-war advertising planning.

The object is to prevent the overlapping in the advertising of goods when production is turning over from war to peace basis.—India Press Service.

GONDAL INSTALLED ON GADI

RAJKOT, May 6.—The Maharaja of Gondal was presented with the Kharija and installed on the Gadi this morning by Lt. Col. P. Gaisford, Resident for Western India States. The ceremony was one of the simplest of its kind.—A.P.

With The 14th Army

FORWARD AREA

By D. F. KARAKA

"Chronicle's" War Correspondent

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Next morning soon after breakfast I was on my way to the Arakan front in the SEAC delivery plane. Being Sunday it was carrying a double load of the paper. At one or two places we touched down to deliver the copies, but in many places copies were just simply dropped from the air and the little bundles were quickly collected by those who were anxiously waiting for their morning paper.

Round mid-day we came to the terminus of the Arakan air route. As we landed on the strip, a solitary jeep came towards us. In it was Emeny of the "News Chronicle" who was returning in our plane back to headquarters I hadn't seen him for many months and the first thing he said to me was that he was sorry he had not been able to keep a lunch date with me in Bombay—a year ago! We talked on the airstip while the SEAC bundles were being unloaded. When I asked him for news he told me that we had taken Buthidaung, he said: "It's rather hush at the moment and you better not file it till you get it officially." It was good news to receive on one's arrival in Arakan. "But more important than that," Emeny said, "is the wheel of this jeep in which you are going back. It's wobbling badly and see you don't break your neck".

Nice thought!—especially when I realized I had a 30 mile jeep-ride ahead of me. Yes, Emeny was asking me to take care of myself. Little did I dream at that moment that his end was so near, for Emeny was one of the two War Correspondents who lost their lives in the plane crash with Wingate less than a fortnight later.

At the first spanner shop on the way we had the jeep examined. The wheel was not so bad we were told. "The wobbling is inherent in the mechanism" the sergeant said, from which one gathered that he had probably studied literature at Cambridge! So we drove on though often on the road, pedestrians drew our attention to it, for it did look dangerous to the average passer-by. After a while we thought of putting up a small notice saying: "We know it's screwy." But the road was not conducive to jesting. It was hot and bumpy and covered with thick layers of dust and the efforts of children who sprinkled canfuls of water over it all day were hardly adequate to keep down the continual stream of dust through which we drove. The endless convoys that drove up and down the road raised so much dust that it obscured out vision and the driver had often to pull up on the road and wait for the convoy to pass and the dust to settle down.

But even on this horrible road there were some redeeming features. The road signs warning us against malaria are worth repeating here. One read: "Get malaria-minded or get malaria." Another said: "Use Mosquito Cream"—as if it was Pond's Vanishing.

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It was past three when we arrived at our destination—the camp at which we were to spend the next few nights. As we were now in the forward area there were fewer 'bashas' in evidence and the press camp was just a make-shift arrangement on the side of a hill. Sorry, hill-feature! If one could have forgotten there was a war so close to us and if trucks and jeeps and others transport did not blow up so much dust, it might have been an ideal spot for camping—with the mountains around us, and the green of the valley with its little 'chaungs' as the background for our low, camouflaged tents.

Out came the vanvas bucket and we filled it with water, though brown with mud. In it we washed and felt refreshed with the wishing. Robin Russell, who ran the Press Camp said: "You haven't had lunch, have you?"

"We've eaten dust and wouldn't mind some food for a change."

We went into the tent which was the mass where bully beef awaited us and potatoes which had been hotted up and thick slices of bread with butter that had melted almost to 'ghee.' Of all the unkindest things that ever happened to me the label of that butter tin beats them all. It read: "To improve the contents of this tin keep coal in ice or frigidaire." Dear, dear Mr. Polson, that was a cruel 'signal" from you on that hot Arakan afternoon and on that hungry stomach!

There was tea, of course—strong, sweetened tea, made of equally strong chlorinated water, but by now I had got used to it as one can get used to almost anything after a while.

It was too late that afternoon to leave the camp to see the front itself, so we decided to change our dirty clothes and pay a call at the C.C.S. (Casualty Clearing Station) and deliver the bundle of books and sweets which we carried for one of the Sisters from a friend at Headquarters. The idea hat any women exised in these parts was almost unbelievable and one had to see them for oneself to realize what work even the women were doing in this war.

I got into a clean set of clothes and smeered the *eau de cologne* of Mr. Max Factor over my face. When I had left Calcutta, my host, was tickled at the idea that included in my "war kit" were "the perfumes of the rue Royals" as he called them. But even at the cost of being called a sissy I'd take them again, specially now that I know others occasionally want to dip into my limited stock! Cleaned and perfumed, we drove in a jeep through the valley to the little cluster of tents which was the field hospital. A week ago a hospital like this had been bombed in Arakan though no one but a blind man could have seen the large red cross which sprawled on the ground. But the Jap sees nothing when he doesn't want to and it struck me then that he spoke a different languagg to us. The Conventions of the League of Nations which attempted to humanize war were just scraps of paper! What else could they be when even the Red Cross was not respected? And if the Jap couldn't see that large rred cross I wondered how he would ever be able to see the tabs on my shoulder. The words War Correspondent would have very little meaning for him and to expect a Jap sniper to be able to read them at all was being a little optimistic. So that our position was quite ticklish. As a war correspondent I am a non-combatant and therefore unarmed and yet we were expected to go right to the front line in search of news without so much as a pistol to defend oneself.

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To return to the hospital. It was a new one. The *bashas* were of clean new thatch. Most of the beds were empty but they were kept in readiness because of an action which was shortly to be fought. So it was indicated to us.

Even in this forlorn part of the jungle everything was being done for the wounded. There was ap onerating theatre made by covering the thatch walls with white sheets. Bottles of plasma were lined up, ready to give new life and new blood to the exhausted. Surgical apparatus such as was necessary for an advance hospital was carefully covered and kept in antiseptic, airtight boxes. The smell of carbolic perfumed the air.

In return for bringing the parcel to the hospital, we were asked to stay to tea in the Sisters' Mess. The feminine touch was very much in evidence in their living; the little bits of lace which kept the flies away from the bread; the colourful calico tablespreads; even the delicate sandwiches, different from the chunks of bread in a male mess. There were about Sister sat tea that afternoon. Others were on duty. They belonged to the Queen Alexandra's Nursing Eervice; tough lassies drawn from middle-class English life and getting their first glimpse of the East in Arakan. In the cause of humanity they were doing a great job of work and their cheerful faces seemed surprising when one bore in mind the hard conditions of life at the front. Clad in coarse grey uniforms they toiled long hours, tending to the sick and the wounded, earning for themselves the name of Sisters of Mercy.

There was hardly any make up on their faces. The cosmetics of Elizabeth Arden didn't reach them here, if they had ever reached her at all. There was no perm in their hair and no soft silk enveloping their femininity. Individually they were not pretty, but their collective work made them appear beautiful and lifted them far above the common herd of women such as we are accustomed to see in our great cities, wearing silken gowns and pretty sarees, rushing round in limousine cars and shaking hands with the Governor on the pages of the *Onlooker*. The nurses of the CCS were doing a real war job—a front line job. These were the women who should have the headlines.

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S. African News Letter

Dominion Party's Obstructionist Tactics

From G. H. Calpin

DURBAN, Apeil 12.

I have reiterated in previous articles that in South Africa there is a section of extremist opinion which does not want a settlement of Euro-Indian differences. The claim can be established from recent happenings in the House of Assembly which devoted itself on April 11th to a full dress and full tempered debate on Indian affairs.

The chief among the rebellious coalitionists of the Prime Minister are of course to be found in the Dominion Party, Messrs. Acutt and Neate, both members of Natal constituencies. During the debate on the vote for the Interior, Mr. Acutt launched another of his attacks upon Indians in general and upon Senator Clarkson, the Minister of the Interior.

The occasion is worth emphasis. The Government is now in the throes of a very difficult situation. The Judicial Commission has met for the first time. It is well-known that the Prime Minister is on the point of leaving for the Imperial Conference in London. Recently he met the Natal Municipal Congress in Cape Town and voiced the serious hope that Durban in particular would rise to the occasion and tackle its Indian housing question. It is known, too, that during the presence of delegates of the Natal Indian Congress he took the opportunity of meeting them and discussing some possible alternative machinery to the Pegging Act. On the part of the Cabinet here is a fervent desire to leave the Indian question in such a position that the Prime Minister can go to London unencumbered and free to devote his time to the problems in hand.

These things cannot have escaped the Dominionites. Yet they choose this very moment when, as the Natal newspapers describe it, "the South African Indian question is now a Commonwealth question" to launch all the acrimony within the considerable compass first upon the Minister and then upon the Indians. Mr. Acutt demanded that a referendum be taken on the question of Indian municipal franchise and attacked the Minister resoundly for his unministerial statements to the Municipal Congress held earlier in the year regarding votes for Indians.

He was followed by his fellow Dominionite, Mr. Neate, who delivered himself of an accusation that Indians had already strong communal representation in the presence of Labour members and in "the voluble and verbose Native Representatives, Mrs. Ballinger and Mr. Molteno." As a rejoinder to both of them the Minister made one very petinent reproach. 'The people,' he said, "who were complaining about the Indians today were the people who had grown fat on them, who had lived on them and had sold land to them at enhanced prices—and the building societies and trust companies who had financed them."

RETORT DIRECT

Your correspondent had occasion recently to do some research on this matter and turned up a document which gives the retort direct to Mr. Acutt. In 1872, faced with a possibility of a cessation in the importation of Indian labour a body calling itself, "The Labour League Planters Merchants, etc," presented a memorial to the Lieutenant Governor of Natal. I quote part of the memorial:—

"Your memorialists are much gratified at the prominence given to this subject (the necessity of an increased labour supply) by Your Excellency.....and believed that the re-introduction of Indian Labourers is necessary to the satisfactory solution of the difficulty."

There is nothing remarkable in this document save its signatories. There are 200 of them, but high up on the list are the names Robt. Acutt., E. A. Acutt., Horace Acutt, No comment is necessary!

One surprising and encouraging 'volte face' in this acrimonious demonstration came from Mr. Goldberg, the Jewish Dominionite, who on previous occasions, has been equally embarrassing to the Government on this subject. On this occasion he congratulated the Minister on his attitude to the problem saying: "I dissociate myself unequivocally from statements which in my view are calculated to stand in the way of a solution to this problem, a solution which right-minded people in Natal are anxious to see. We shall get no where digging up past history. I hope the Minister will not allow himself to be cajoled by a vociferous and unthinking Minority in Natal. We must recognise as fundamental to this problem that the Asiatic community is part of the permanent structure of South African society. That is what many of our European friends are unwilling to realise. Their whole approach is completely negative. It is a matter of complete indifference to them where the Indian goes so long as it is not here."

MINISTER'S REPLY

The debate ended on a spirited reply by Senator Clarkson, the Minister of the Interior, who answered the Dominionites by pointing to the occasions on which the Natal Indian Congress had gone out of its way to have sales of property cancelled, and where individual members of the Congress had provided money from their own pockets to cancel these sales. He mentioned, too, the agitation that had started about the Indian College on the Bluff and referred to the way in which the Durban City Council had changed its mind after selling land at the Botanic Gardens to the Indians.

Nevertheless the Dominionite spirit and particularly that of Mr. Acutt, has resulted in the Durban City Council considering the advisability of holding a referendum on the question of Municipal Franchise for Indians, despite the fact that one of the terms of reference of the Judicial Commission is to inquire into the whole political representation of Indians.

This astonishing demonstration in the House of Assembly will, it is hoped awaken the moderate elements in Natal to protest against the appalling display of obstructionist speeches on occasions by the Dominion Party. It is remarkable that this party, which was established for the defence of the British Empire in South Africa, should turn to so amazingly un-British demonstrations. More than probable the reason lies in the fact that the Dominion Party is seeking another election platform under anti-Asiatic opinion, owing to its complete poverty on an economic or political policy which will appeal to the Durban electorate. In this respect the Dominion Party is bankrupt. More and more it relies for its success upon accruing in Durban and Natal a wave of racial bitterness which will speak ill in the Commonwealth and disturb British Empire relations.

LATE J. P. TRIVEDI

(By PROF. F. N. DRIVER)

A great many of the readers of this paper will recollect that on May 2nd we had the fourth death anniversary of the great teacher and patriot—Prof. J. P. Trivedi who died in the arms of Gandhiji at Wardha.

A nation like ours cannot afford to forget such a great teacher as Prof. Trivedi. For more than 20 years of the most formative period of Indian nationalism Prof. Trivedi acted as a true friend and guide of hundreds of young men of all communities who came in touch with him. No member of my own community, for example, guided and helped me so much as this great man. Those, ofcourse, who came in touch with him remember his death with a sadness that is even beyond the physical futility of mortal tears. But those who were not lucky to have known him should also realise that rarely does the teaching profession in India produce one so great and pure as Jayshankarbhai Trivedi. It is no exaggeration to say that for many, like myself, he was one of the greatest Indians of our times, a man whose entire life was just an unbroken epic of kindness, generosity, patriotism and wisdom. Speaking on behalf of many young men who cannot be articulate to-day and who have to mourn in silence, I can say that for us his loss is irreparable. One of the minor tragedies of this world of sorrow and suffering is that real greatness is all too rare and we produce great men like Prof. Trivedi who die early and can never be replaced.

Prof Trivedi died four years ago but hardly a day has passed when many of us have not remembered him. This is so because in most of the things we do in life, even in petty things like eating food, hospiality towards our guests, even borrowing or lending a book, Prof. Trivedi set an example to us which only our death can efface from us. Indeed, to forget him is to forget life itself for he gave a true meaning to life. He not only made us live a purer and more patriotic life than before but he taught us the importance of individual character without of course saying so in so many words.

Living in the hey-day of the Gandhian epoch in our sad history his life was in part an autobiography of his time. He was one of that very small band of men of that epoch who gave us an idea of how noble a thing human life can be when harnessed to the service of great cause. The cause Prof. Trivedi stood for was not necessarily political or social, it was really the universal cause of high human character harnessed to the service of human suffering. He wept at life's tragedies and sometimes I feel these tragedies must have shaken his inborn faith in God, but to his students he taught the importance of cheerfulness and laughter based ultimately on faith in the goodness of God. He taught us that the secret of enjoying life is to have a proper sense of porportion about everything. It is only this truth that restrains us from breaking down under the strain of his loss. We know however that his spirit is alive and is embodied in every act of justice or generosity that we perform or witness in this terribly dark world of to-day.

LATE MR. SHINDE

(By A. V. THAKKAR)

The late Mr. V. R. Shinde died recently after several years of continued paralytic attack. During the last fifteen years he was not in active life, being bed-ridden and so out of public gaze.

He was one of my four gurus and next to my father, I took my lessons of public welfare work at his feet. Though younger in age to me, he was far advanced in the study of national periodical activities. It is well-known that he was the father of Depressed Classes welfare movement, and while he was the first man and a pioneer in such an activity, except in the Punjab and U.P. in recent times, I took my first lessons of practical work from him. After a lapse of 40 years, I have not forgotten the vivid description that the guru of a Buddhist Sadhu of an inimitable humility and piety and of Irish birth, standing at his door in the Bombay Prarthana Samaj building one early morning. When I was in Bombay Municipal Service and in charge of the Kuchra unloading works, in about the year 1906 and 1907, with 2 or 3 hundred Mahars and Mangs, doing the filthiest work, perhaps more insanitary than carrying night-soil by Bhangis, he gave me lessons in how to conduct schools for their children and to obtain as many privileges as I could for the humble low-class workmen of the city of Bombay.

When a technical drafting error in the Bombay Municipal Act of 1888, prevented the Corporation of Bombay from sanctioning the grant for a school, I had started he managed to get me the funds through some friendly Corporation banker.

Years rolled by, and Sir N. G. Chandavarkar led a small group of workers on the path of service to the Harijans, with Shinde as the working Secretary.

Neither the Government of India nor the subordinate Government of the Provinces of those days were awakened to the sense of duty by the humblest and the suppressed The Labour Department of Madras, which has led the vanguard in this kind of public service and provided an object lesson to other Provincial Governments, was not even born. Thank God, it flourished and spends about 10 to 12 lacs a year, which is not a very creditable percentage, even less than one per cent. However, other Governments have not come up even to that stage yet, in spite of greatly added resources.

Temperamental differences divided the President and the Secretary of the Depressed Class Mission after a long period, but Shinde continued to do his missionary task at four different places, Bombay, Poona, Dharwar and Nagpur, mostly in the Marathi area. He coaxed me to speak at a small meeting in a small state of Kathiawar in the year 1908 for the first time in my life. He encouraged me by complimenting me on the Gujarati speech I had made. In the later twenties of this century Shinde was out of action. Thereafter came the famous Gandhiji's movement and whirl-wind Harijan tour for 270 days continuously for the service of Harijans in the whole country and for the removal of untouchability from the Hindu Society, in the year 1932. But that is another story.

He was an ill-paid missionary, but carrying on his mission all the same with unabated enthusiasm. He lived to the end in voluntary poverty with a small family. His widowed sister was also trained in this missionary work and she has survived him as a living relic. He could ill educate his sons, one of whom maintained him in his declining years. Younger generation knows very little of Shinde, but he was a man of far sight, with a lofty mission to do the long denied justice to 5 crores of our nation, one-sixth of Indian Humanity in his time. There was hardly any group of workers in the country in his time for the social service activities more so for our neglected and suppressed section. May his life be an inspiration to the new generation of field workers in the social service! May his soul rest in peace and be one with the Almighty who had endowed him with a noble mission and only "but one spark" for the regeneration of not an inconsiderable part of our nation.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

MOSCOW, May 6.

A prospect not only of a solution to the Polish-Soviet question but also of a rapprochement between the Vatican and the Kremlin has been opened up by the visit here of Father Stanislaus Orlemanski, the Polish-born American Catholic priest, who has had two audiences with Marshal Stalin. When he left Moscow to-day he took back with him the friendly willingness of the Soviet Union to reach an understanding with the Vatican on questions of mutual interest.

Declaring that Marshal Stalin was a friend of the Polish people, the statement added: "I will also make this historic statement —that future events will prove that Marshal Stalin is very friendly towards the Roman Catholic Church."

—Reuter.

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Goebbels says that the Allied "preparations for invasion are complete."

He certainly knows more than the Allies do!

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Gandhiji, the Government is anxious to emphasize, has been released SOLELY for reasons of health.

We agree. His continued incarceration would have been bad for the health of the Government!

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Profiteering in umbrellas has already begun.

The umbrella dealers evidently want to put by something for the rainy days!

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America is reported to have acquired a new 'secret weapon.'

Dewey?

TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) The Viceroy's Executive Councillors who all had voted for Gandhiji's arrest were not consulted about his release.

(2) Lord Wavell was afraid of a revolt if he did consult them as they would never have countenanced such a step.

(3) The Executive Councillors regard the Viceroy's tact as a tribute to their own importance.

(4) Dr. Ambedkar would like the world to know that he had no hand in the Mahatma's release.

(5) Mr. M. A. Jinnah is cutting short his Kashmir holiday to come to Poona for Mahatma's 'mizaj pursi'—but he would like to know the meaning of 'mizaj purse'.

(6) The Communist Party has found a new hero—Captain Shaukat Hayat Khan!

(7) Comrade Sajjad Zahir has exposed the fraud that the Unionists had been perpetrating on the innocents of Punjab for six long years—with the connivance, blessings, patronage and support of the Qaid-e-Azam!

"Punch And India"

In a recent issue of the "Punch" dated January 12, there has appeared an article in which an unknown writer ridicules Gandhiji's Quit India movement. Of course, it is written in a humorous style and in a light vein. Nevertheless, it shows a revealing glimpse into the mentality of the author. He says, that not only, the British but all other, conquering races that have overrun India must quit the country. He considers even the Aryans as foreigners. He has the audacity to regard Gandhiji, Jawaharlal and Jinnah as foreigners. He thinks that only the Aborigines have a right to rule over India. And they would prefer the British to remain and civilise them.

May we ask the author how is it that the British Government was asked to Quit India? India has been subjected to many invasions. But all these invaders got themselves assimilated with other races. And a culture was developed which is truly Indian and which is our proud and national heritage. The Muslims, whose religion was directly antagonistic to Hinduism came to regard themselves as Indians, after an initial conflict of 100 years. They made India their home to co-operate with the Hindus, forming a synthesis of the two religions. They were never regarded as foreigners. On the other hand, the British people, by their great refusal to make India their permanent home, remained isolated from the masses and began a systematic exploitation of the country for their own benefit. Even Mr. Garret (author of "Legacy of India") is forced to admit that the British Period in India is sterile with regard to cultural development compared to other periods in Indian history.

The Indo-British culture is not rooted to the soil but is an extraneous growth. They never identified themselves with Indian interests and ruled over us from 6,000 miles away.

By the way, this is not an isolated instance. Even Dr. Vincent Smith regards Gautama Buddha and Akbar as foreigners and not Indians. Gautama Buddha he thinks was a Mongolian and Akbar, a Mughal from Central Asia. May we not apply the same reasoning to the British people? Are not the true inhabitants of Britain the Britons and the Celts, Saxons and Danes and the Normans have no right to rule there. They are foreigners just as Muslims, Hindus and other races are described by the writer in "Punch" as foreigners.

D. H. DIVATIA.

Control Umbrellas

When the rains began dashing against the Coromandal Coast at the outbreak of North East Monsoon the Government of India got suddenly awakened as to the necessity of reducing and controlling the prices of Umbrellas because the authorities perhaps thought that umbrellas were required by all classes of people living within the monsoon zones. So the Governmnt issued a communique for the benefit of the public that they were trying to reduce and control the prices of all varieties of umbrellas and with this in view the communique told us further that statistics have been called for from the manufacturers, wholesale and retail merchants to ascertain, the cost of manufacture and sale etc. Nothing further has been known to the public as to how far Government have proceeded in the matter.

Will Government kindly see that control of prices of Umbrellas is enforced as soon as possible especially because the South West Monsoon is fast approaching and the great demand for umbrellas may tempt the merchants to fleece the buying public more and more.

K. S. MAVINKURVE.

'POLICE PADDING MOST REGRETTABLE'

Delhi Magistrate Acquits Congressman And His Employees

NEW DELHI, May 7.
Mr. C. H. Dinsey, Additional District Magistrate, delivered judgment acquitting to-day Mr. S. N. Jauhar a prominent Congress worker, and his five employees who had been prosecuted under sections 22. read with 149 and 332 read with 149 I.P.C.

The prosecution story was, when a party of police headed by C.I.D. officers went to arrest Jauhar under the Defence of India Rules, the accused raised an alarm and was rescued by his men but he was later arrested. Referring to the evidence of the two prosecution witnesses, the Magistrate observed: "I am constrained to remark that their inclusion as eye-witnesses was nothing short of police padding which was most regrettable.—United Press.

DANISH NAZI PARTY LEADER

LONDON, May 6 The German controlled Danish radio tonight announced that the leader of the Danish Nazi Party Fritz Clausen has resigned. "The party will now be led by a Council of leaders" the announcement added.—Reuter.

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Sarojini Naidu By Mahatma's Side

B. C. Roy Reveals Drug From Calcutta Required By Gandhiji Arrived On Wednesday

POONA, May 7.—Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, accompanied by her daughter Miss Padmaja Naidu, arrived here this morning from Hyderabad.

Immediately on her arrival she drove to Parnakuti to see Mahatma Gandhi.—A. P.

DRUG FROM CALCUTTA REACHES MAHATMA

HYDERABAD (Sind), May 6.—Dr. B. C. Roy, who arrived here to-day with other members of the Health Survey Committee, answering questions put to him by some friends regarding Mahatma Gandhi said: "We thank Government for releasing Gandhiji and hope he will now get well."

The Doctor added that an urgently required drug for Mahatma Gandhi had been received from Calcutta on Wednesday, thanks to arrangements made by the Bombay Government.

Regarding the Mahatma's general health, Dr. Roy said that he had remarkable reserve power which would pull him through.

"Now that Mahatma Gandhi has been released, the health of the country itself may well show a change for the better", Dr. Roy concluded.

Savarkar Hopes For Release Of Nehru

BOMBAY, May 7: Mr. V. D. Savarkar has issued a statement wishing Mahatma Gandhi speedy recovery.

"I hope that Government will now release Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and all others who have been incarcerated without being tried for political activities or put them publicly on trial so that the country may know what are the definite charges Government have against them."

NEW DELHI, May 6: Commenting on Mahatma Gandhi's release, Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee acting President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha said: "That Government has at last responded to Indian demand for Mahatmaji's unconditional release is satisfactory so far as it goes. Not only for the cause of Indian Freedom but for world peace itself, Gandhiji's recovery and re-enter into active public life are essential.

Mr. Nalini Ranjan Sarkar ex-Commerce Member, Government of India said: "Lord Wavell and his Government ought to be congratulated on the decision of release of Mahatma Gandhi."

JUSTICE FOR THE FIRST TIME

PATNA, May 6: "The British Government in the whole history of its rule over India has perhaps for the first time shown the spirit of justice by releasing Mahatma Gandhi at a time when his release was all the more needed for the cause of the world peace" states Mr. Jagjiwanram, ex-Parliamentary Secretary and President of the All-India Depressed Class League in a statement to the press on the release on Mahatma Gandhi.

FOLLOW IT UP

He adds: I hope this is the precursor on the part of the British Government of their change of heart and they will pursue it to its logical conclusion by releasing all popular leaders so that the anti-Fascist forces may be fully mobilised for the strong defence of the country against all Fascist aggressions.

How Ceylon Received News

COLOMBO, May 6: The news of Mahatma Gandhi's release is published prominently in the afternoon papers and is widely discussed by the public.

The 'Times of Ceylon' publishes a picture of Mahama Gandhi with the word 'released' in big type below, while 'The Observer' features the news in double column with a large picture of Mahatma Gandhi.

'The Observer' in an editorial refers to the possibility of Mahatma Gandhi's release providing an opportunity for the first step being taken towards ending the present political deadlock in India and adds: "It will be India's prayer today that Mahatma Gandhi be spared and given sufficient strength to make his restored freedom fruitful in this regard."—A. P.

CIVIC BODIES EXPRESS THANKS

BANGALORE, May 6: A resolution expressing thankfulness to the Almighty at Mahatma Gandhi's release and praying that he be spared for long for the benefit of humanity was adopted at a special meeting of the Bangalore City Municipal Council this evening.

NAGPUR, May 6: At a meeting of the Nagpur Municipal Committee this morning a resolution was passed congratulating the Government of India for releasing Mahatma Gandhi and praying to God for his speedy recovery and long life.

BENARES, May 6: The Benares Bar Association at a meeting held today placed on record its deep sense of relief at the release of Mahatma Gandhi and prayed for his speedy recovery.—A. P.

MARKETS CLOSED

AMRITSAR, May 5: All the principal markets in Amritsar remained closed today. Several commercial associations held meetings and offered prayers for the speedy recovery of Mahatma Gandhi. Telegrams have also been sent by these Associations to Mahatma Gandhi expressing anxiety over his health.

KARACHI, May 6: All markets in Karachi closed today on account of Gandhiji's release

"Was Too Ill To Be Kept In", Says Birmingham Gazette'

LONDON, May 6: The release of Mr. Gandhi has no political significance in itself, states the "Birmingham Gazette" in its editorial to-day. "Government", adds the Gazette, "Has let him out of prison because he is too ill to be kept in. Presumably Government is also satisfied that he is too ill to engage in serious agitation. Nonetheless, it is possible, if a little optismistic, to hope that the release may serve as a turning point in the deplorable controversy. With Mr. Gandhi out of prison for whatever reason one great source of Indian bitterness is removed.

"The Northern Echo" of Darlington publishes a similar leader.

"The Yorkshire Post" says: "Perhaps a change of climate and environment will assist Mr. Gandhi's health if only by psychological benefit which such change may bring. That may have been the idea of eminent medical advisers upon whose recommendation Mr. Gandhi on health reasons alone, is being released. Mr. Gandhi has had first class medical attention during his illness. The location of his detention is hardly such as to have been likely to impose any physical handicaps to his recovery. But the place—Aga Khan's Palace at Poona—may have unhappy psychological associations for Mr. Gandhi since his wife and secretary, Mr. Mahadev Desai, have died there.

"In the present circumstances it is thought that the removal of restraint on Gandhi's freedom is not likely to result in any impeding of the war effort".

Sir Radhakrishnan Leaves For China

CALCUTTA, May 6.

Sir Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan, Vice-Chancellor, Benares Hindu University, left for China on the invitation of the Chungking Government to visit the Chinese Universities and other academic institutions.

During his one month's stay there, Sir Radhakrishnan will deliver lectures on Indian thought and cultural relationship between India and China.—A.P.

ANOTHER BIG AMOUNT FOR LEND-LEASE

WASHINGTON, May 6.—President Roosevelt to-day submitted to Congress a request for an appropriation of an additiopal 3,450,570,000 dollars to carry out the Lend-Lease programme during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945.

This appropriation request is to provide industrial products required for the production of planes, tanks, guns and other war supplies in Allied countries and food and other agricultural products required to maintain the rations of their soldiers and war workers. President Roosevelt also requested Congress to make available to him until June 30 next year any unexpended balances from the previous appropriations for Lend-Lease purposes.

Including such balances the total amount of the funds available for the Lend-Lease programme under this request during the fiscal year 1945 are estimated at 7,188,893,000 dollars.

Included in the request is a provision authorising the use of 88,299,000 dollars received as a result of the operations under the Lend-Lease Act.

U. S. BLACKLISTS 38 EIRE FIRMS

WASHINGTON, May 6: Eire firms are now included in the United States black list of concerns dealing with the Axis. A supplement to the proclaimed list issued by the Secretary of State Mr. Cordell Hull to-day included names of 38 Eire firms.—Reuter

DISTRIBUTION OF 'RABI' GRAINS

NEW DELHI, May 7.

The Government of India's plan for the distribution of 'rabi' grains is reported to have come into force from May 1, 1944. Despatches including foreign imports of all grains to the principal deficit areas under the last year's food plan from July 15 to the end of April, 1944 were 17,19,800 tons. The chief beneficiaries were Bengal, Bombay, Travancore and Cochin receiving 7,80,000 tons, 3,76,000 tons and 2,30,000 tons respectively.—United Press.

Sir M. Visveswaraya at the opening of the branch of Mysore Bank at Sunderabai Hall on Wedne day last.

Limbdi State V. Girasdars

Deadlock Sequel To Opposition To Attachment

RAJKOT, May 6

In implementation of the India (Attachment of States Bill), attachment of the Lands of Girasdars to Limbdi State will come into force on May 10, it is learnt here.

In this connection, it will be recalled that a deadlock has arisen between Limbdi State and the Girasdars who are opposed to the attachment and are threatening non-violent non-co-operation.

Some of the Girasdars are asking for guarantees that the terms of the Instrument of Attachment will be fulfilled and respected by the ruler who is a minor when he comes of age after 18 years. Mr. J. P. Nicholson, Administrator of Limbdi State, it is understood, has agreed to comply with this demand and to protect the rights and interests of the Girasdars' lands.

The Girasdars have also made a representation to the Chancellor of the Chamber of Princes and are awaiting the result.

It is further understood that the Limbdi Durbar has made an offer to the Girasdars to pay the dues to the State under protest with the condition that if the Attachment is not recognised or the terms of Attachment modified, refund of the dues paid to the Durbar will be made to the Girasdars.—A. P.

Depressed Classes League Conference

CAWNPORE, May 5.

The Reception Committee of the Depressed Classes League Conference has decided to postpone the 10th session of the Depressed Classes League Conference. It is now likely that Delhi will be fixed as the venue of the Conference.

The session was to be held here in April, but permission having been refused by the authorities the dates were postponed to 14th of May.—A. P.

CAWNPORE, May 5: It is learnt that the Sixth Session of Provincial Kisan Conference will be held at Hathras in Aligarh District on the 30th and 31st May under the presidentship of Swami Sahajanand.—A. P.

War-Time Difficulty Of Getting Mags. From U. S.

GESTURE OF INDIAN LIVING IN SALT LAKE CITY

In the Skating Review of October, 1943, the official publication of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association of the U.S.A. published in Detroit, Michigan, Mr. H. D. Darukhanawala, Proprietor of the Bombay Skating Class requested Mr. Fred A. Martin, Secretary and Treasurer of the R.S.R.O.A. to forward to him, to Bombay, copies of his Journal and further that on account of remittance difficulties to America he would send the subscription amount after the war. This letter came under the notice of the Parsi gentleman, Mr. M. C. Irani, of Salt Lake City, Utah, who immediately sent the subscription of 30 dollars to Mr. Martin and requested him to forward his Journal along with all the Skating literature of the R.S.R.O.A. to Mr. Darukhanawala during the pendency of the war. Mr. Irani's letter was published in that Journal of December 1943.

Mr. Irani in the course of his letter to Martin stated, 'inter alia':—"It might be of interest to you to know that I was born and brought up in Bombay, India, and studied Metallurgical Engineering in the United States. At present I am working in a Metallurgical Research Laboratory in Salt Lake City, and am an Alumni of the Colorado School of Mines and the University of Denver, where I studied for Master of Metallurgical Engineering and Master of Arts, respectively. While studying Engineering, I got interested in the beautiful art of Roller-Skating. I learned my skating in the Mammoth Garden in Danver, where eventually worked as the Professional Skating Instructor. Mr. Martin, I take this opportunity to congratulate you and the other officials of the R.S.R.O.A. for the fine work done by them for the advancement of the "Art of Roller Skating."

To give training to selected medical practitioners in public health work, the Government of Bombay has decided to establish at Sirur for the current financial year a temporary school for the training of Sanitary Inspectors and to permit Ayurvedic and Unani medical practitioners to attend a short three months' course of instructions. Arrangements are to be made for the training of 50 students a year.

HEALTH PLAN FOR INDIA

Bidhan Roy Explains Object Of Central Survey Committee

KARACHI, May 4.

To associate the people more closely with the health problem of the country and to solve it by raising an additional medical personnel of 300,000 in thirty years is the aim of the Central Health Survey Committee which is at present in Karachi.

Giving an outline of the issues the committee was formulating, Dr. B. C. Roy, Chairman of the Committee, said it might be necessary in the first five years to devote attention to increasing the technical and non-technical people who would be required to prosecute the scheme Existing medical institutions would have to be increased and new ones established. The scheme will envisage not merely medical relief to those who are ill, but also preventive measures as a safeguard against disease. But the problem is not so simple. Better nutrition, wider education and a higher level of earning power all enter into it. A plan would be formulated to provide relief on a population basis so that there would be at least one medical man for each thousand of the population, whereas the present ratio was about one to ten thousand. A strong Public Health Directorate with a network of provincial auxillaries would be needed. The scheme will be developed and expanded every five years and the work completed in six stages.

AUSTRALIAN GOVT. TAKES OVER MINE

SYDNEY, May 6: The Australian Federal Government has taken over the Lidsdale Colliery in New South Wales owned by the Commonwealth Collieries Limited.

This follows on a statement by Dr. Herbert Evatt, Attorney-General, on Thursday that "if the experiment in Government control of the Coalcliffe Colliery proves successful, it may indicate a way towards the improvement of the coal industry. It is expected that other collieries may be taken over later.

Government is working the Lidsdale Colliery on the "open cut" system with heavy machinery obtained from the Allied Works Council. The output is expected to be trebled and miners have offered to work double shift under certain conditions.

Four More Italian Spies Shot Dead

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN ITALY, May 6.

Four more Italian spies were shot today. They had been employed as German agents and sent into Allied lines. They were executed after conviction by an Allied military court of attempted espionage and conspiracy to sabotage. Their death by a firing squad follows the execution of six other convicted Italian spies last Sunday. The first of those executed today was Virgilio Scarpelleni, a nineteen-year-old North Italian former Blackshirt who volunteered as a German agent and was engaged in reporting the movement of shipping in Naples. Scarpelleni had been employed in many missions for the Germans. Reuter.

Football Carnival

R. A. F. WINS AGAIN

Army XI Succumb By 4—1

Another crowd of ten thousand was present at the Cooperage on Sunday evening to see the Royal Air Force measure strength with a selected Army XI. But they were disappointed with the mediocre display put up by the soldiers. In fact they were outclassed, out-played and out-manoeuvred in every department of the game.

It is true that two of the four goals registered against them—two in each half—were the result of spot-kicks. But the two goals scored by M. C. Ewan and Wrigglesworth the R.A.F. wingers, were brilliant pieces of solo efforts which held the army defenders to complete subjection.

It was verily a day of penalties as the soldiers also had the opportunity of scoring a goal from this. But that was all they could do. It was evident that they, unlike the airmen, were far away from their true colours. Denis Commpton of whom great things were expected never glimpse of his high attainments. With the result the R.A.F. won by the substantial margin of 4 goals to one.

THE TEAMS.

R.A.F. Calvert (Leicester City); Keddie (Hamilton Acad) and Walker (West Ham); Powell (Wales); Harper (Barnsley and England), and Finch (Preston N. E.); McEwan (Q. P. Rangers), Curtis (Arsenal), Lancelot (Charlton Ath), Buchan (England) and Wrigglesworth (Manchester United).

ARMY XI: Nixon, Delaney (Arsenal) and O'Boyle (Belfast); Hanks (Bolton W.); Holley (England); and Towle (E.H.Q.); Birkett (England); Longton (Blackburn Rovers); Ashworth (Blackpool), Jones (Tranmere Rovers) and Compton (England).

'Pensive' Wins Kentucky Derby

Churchill Downs, Louisville (Kentucky), May 7: 'Pensive' won the the Kentucy Derby, Broadcloth was second, Stirup third and Shutup fourth. The time for the mile and quarter was two minutes, 4 1/5 seconds.

BALTIMORE, (Maryland) May 6: Sun again won the thirty thousand dollars (£7,500) Dixie Handicap at the Pimlico race track, today. Rounders was second and Alquest third.—Reuter.

COLOMBO, May 6.

Price of rubber, copra and coconut-oil all unchanged.—A. P.

INDIA MUST SHAPE HER ECONOMIC POLICY HERSELF

"Imperial Preference Means Diminution Of Protection To Indian Industry"

"Mr. Winston Churchill utilised the occasion of the debate in the House of Commons in the third week of April for reiterating his determination to preserve the Empire ideals, and mentioned how strictly he has, during his stewardship, safeguarded the structure of Imperial preference," writes Mr J. C. Setalvad, President, Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, in a statement to the 'Associated Press.'

The Indian Commercial Community had always maintained that India's fiscal arrangements and policy should be such as to give the country complete power to regulate her tariffs without reference to any outside, party or interests and in a manner which would promote her industrial and economic development. The advent of the principle of imperial reference had in the past cut across this fundamental right.

For a long time, continues Mr. Setalvad India had played the role of a supplier of raw materials for manufacturing industries of the United Kingdom and as a market for her finished products. It is to end this state of affairs that a policy of discriminating protection was adopted by this country since 1924 after an exhaustive survey into the existing state of affairs by the Indian Fiscal Commission.

A few industries have been developed under the stimulus and protection given by that policy, but at every stage in the past when Imperial preference was introduced in our tariff arrangements it had ultimately meant a diminution of the protection actually necessary for the industry concerned, with the results that the competitive capacity of the Indian product had been seriously affected.

India should have complete freedom to shape her economic policy in a manner best suited to advance her own interests, says Mr. Setalvad. This was not to say that we would not, in the post-war period, enter into such bilateral or multilateral agreements with other countries, within or outside the Empire. As would be mutually advantageous to India and the other contracting countries.—A. P.

JUDGE ON POLICE 'INEFFICIENCY'

All Accused Acquitted In Palia Dacoity Case

LUCKNOW, May 7.

All the six accused in what is known as the Palia dacoity case have been acquitted by Thakur Surendra Vikram Singh, Civil and Sessions Judge, Lucknow.

According to the prosecution the accused who included a student of Lucknow University, participated in an armed dacoity in the village of Palia, eight miles from here, early in October 1942, in the course of which two men were shot dead and four seriously wounded. The raiders looted a wealthy landowner's house and escaped with property worth nearly Rs. 2,000.

Acquitting the accused, the Judge remarked that he was satisfied that the prosecution story was a concocted one and all the witnesses were false. The Judge characterised the statement of the approver as a tissue of "most palpable lies" and added that the police being unable to trace the real culprits, made him a scapegoat in order to cover their inefficiency.—A. P.

10 Years' Jail For Carrying Bomb

JERUSALEM, May 6: A Jerusalem Military Court today passed a sentence of ten years' imprisonment on Simon Amrami, a nineteen-year-old student, who was caught carrying a bomb and ammunition shortly after the Assistant Police Superintendent was killed on the night of March 23, when a bomb explosion wrecked the Criminal Investigation Department Headquarters in Jerusalem. The Assistant Superintendent was shot dead when he surprised the terrorists at their preparations.

Consumers' Co-operative Movement In Assam

SHILLONG, May 6: The Consumers' Co-operative movement has made great strides in recent months. Government have so far registered 800 consumers' co-operative stores having a total membership of about 1,00,000, with a working capital of about Rs. 15,00,000 catering for the needs of nearly 5,00,000 persons and handling goods to the value of about Rs. 50,00,000.—A. P.

Rajaji On Future Of Indians In Ceylon

MADRAS, May 6

"My message to them all is that there is no reason to fear or to be perturbed about the future of Indians in Ceylon", declared Mr. C. Rajagopalachari in an interview on his recent tour of Ceylon. An important feature in the position in Ceylon was the undoubted prevalence of utmost goodwill between Indians and the Sinhalese people throughout the island he said and added that the recent controversies had not affected the mutual goodwill among the communities concerned.—A. P.

East Pakistan Conference

CALCUTTA, May 6

The following appeal has been issued to the press over the signatures of Moulana Mohd. Akram Khan, Abdul Kalam Shamsuddin (Editor, "Daily Azad"), and a number of artistes and literatures of Bengal:—

The East Pakistan Renaissance Society which was launched some two years ago by some intellectuals of Calcutta, is going to hold a Conference in Calcutta by the end of this month. Working purely from a cultural and academic platform this non-political society has been endeavouring these two years to invigorate the cultural and intellectual life of the moribund nation of the East Pakistan.

A strong Reception Committee has been formed with Abdul Kalam Shamsuddin as Chairman; Abdul Mansur Ahmed will be the President of the Conference.

We appeal to all champions of Muslims Renaissance to contribute liberally to the fund of the Conference. All contributions should be sent to: A. K. Shamsudin, Treasurer, East Pakistan Renaissance Conference Committee, 86-A, Lower Circular Road, Calcutta.—O.P.I.

Mexico Town Threatened By Volcanic Eruption

MEXICO CITY, May 6: The inhabitants of the small town of Parangaricutrio in the State of Michoacan are fleeing to-night from the town as lava from a new eruption of the Particutin volcano invades the first of its streets. The volcano is reported to be ejecting tremendous masses of lava which are moving at the rate of 25 yards an hour.—Reuter.

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India And Bombay Govt.s To Rescue

NEW DELHI, May 6.

In order to relieve the acute food position in the Deccan States, where there has been a steep rise in the Prices of rice and wheat, the Central Food Department is reported to have made a special allocation of 15,000 tons of foodgrains.

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ENTRIES for the above SWIMMING COMPETITION will CLOSE on FRIDAY, the 12th inst. at 8 P.M. (instead of Monday, the 8th inst.)

SECRETARY.

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DEALINGS IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE

THE ATTENTION of Merchants and Money Changers engaged in buying and selling or dealing in any Foreign Exchange including Currency Notes and Coin other than rupees and in purchasing, selling or paying drafts or hundis drawn on or in places outside India whether in rupees or Foreign currencies, is drawn to the provisions of Defence of India Rule 81, which prohibits any dealings in foreign exchange unless with the authority of the Reserve Bank of India. All merchants and money changers wishing to deal in any foreign exchange and particularly in Afghan and Iranian Notes and Coin and hundis should apply to the Assistant Controller, Exchange Control Department, Reserve Bank of India, Bombay, immediately for a licence. (8738)

THE INDIAN CUTLERY MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Indian Cutlery Manufacturing Company, Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at A-3, Clive Buildings, Calcutta, at 3 P.M. on WEDNESDAY, the 17th May, 1944, to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' and Managing Agents' Report and audited Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Account for the year ended 31st March, 1944.
2. To declare dividends.
3. To elect Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors for the current year.

The SHARE TRANSFER REGISTER will be CLOSED from 4th May to 17th May, 1944, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
INDO-BRITISH ENGINEERS,
Managing Agents.

A-3, Clive Buildings, Calcutta,
2nd May, 1944.

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CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

'A'. "Several posts vacant for appointment as Divisional Transportation Officers on large Airfield works under supervision of Central P.W.D. in Bengal and Eastern India.

Applicants must be fully qualified mechanical Engineers with first class experience in Automobile Engineering and maintenance; and repair of Steam & Diesel Rollers and other machinery. No applicant with less than five years practical experience will be considered.

All appointees will live on site and will be provided with free quarters.

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'B.' Also vacancies for following work-charged establishment:—

(i) MT Mechanic mistries on Rs. 80/- to Rs. 115/- P.M.
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(iii) MT Fitters on Rs. 40/- to Rs. 75/- per month.
(iv) MT Tinsmiths on Rs. 60/- to Rs. 90/- per month.
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(vi) MT Carpenters on Rs. 60/- to Rs. 100/- per month.
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(viii) MT Head Mechanic on Rs. 100/- to Rs. 150/- per month.

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Free quarters will be provided at site.

'C'. Applications for both 'A' & 'B' above to be sent in writing, giving full particulars, and certified copies of all testimonials to:—

Captain D. W. BETTS, R.E.,
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CALCUTTA.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

SHREE JAM WIRE PRODUCTS COMPANY, LIMITED, JAMNAGAR.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the second Annual General Meeting of SHREE JAM WIRE PRODUCTS CO., LTD., will be held at Company's Building, Bedi Port Road, JAMNAGAR, at 10 A.M. (New Standard Time) on 10th day of June, 1944.

(1) To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and pass the Audited Statement of Accounts made upto 31st March, 1944.
(2) To sanction the declaration of a Dividend.
(3) To elect Directors in place of those who retire under clause 140 of the Company's Articles of Association, but who are eligible for re-election under clause 142 of the Articles of Association of the Company and offer themselves for re-election.
(4) To appoint Auditors for the current year and fix their remuneration.
(5) To transact any other business that may be brought forward with the permission of the Chairman.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 22nd May to 10th June, 1944, (both days inclusive).

By order of the Board:
For Shree Jam Wire Products Co., Limited,
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N.B.—The Dividends when sanctioned will be made payable at the Central Bank of India, Ltd., Jamnagar, or at the Registered Office of the Company on and after 1st July, 1944, to those shareholders whose names stand on the Register on 10th June, 1944, to whom Dividend warrants will be posted at their addresses registered in the books of the Company.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. KASTURCHAND MEGHRAJ & CO., the Mortgagees of the following property have sold the undermentioned property to our client at the auction sale held on the 12th day of January, 1944.

Any persons having any claim interest or demand whatsoever against in or upon the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, gift, trust, inheritance, share, possession, lease, encumbrances, lien, charge, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to give notice thereof in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Cama Building, 24-26, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, failing which the said sale shall be completed without any reference to any such claim interest or demand whatsoever and the same, if any, will be treated and considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY:

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground situate at Kurla, in the Bombay Suburban District in Taluka South Salsette formerly in the Registration Sub-District of Kurla but now of Bandra the particular description whereof is as under:

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Dated this 5th day of May, 1944.

VAKIL DADABHOY &
BHARUCHA
Purchaser's Attorneys.

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AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF ABOUT 65 TONS C.I. PIPE SCRAP, BRASS, COPPER, ALUMINIUM, C.I. & W.I. SCRAP, BRASS, BORINGS, ETC.

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On same day at 5-30 p.m. (N.S.T.) at Chinchpokli Central Stores:

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LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. RUSTOMJI DADABHOY BARIA, of Bombay (Parsi) Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property of whatever nature are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Hamam House, Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO:

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land or ground of the redeemed Fazandari Tenure containing by admeasurement a total area of 663 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's New No. A 2700 C.R.R. No. 486 and Laughtons Survey No. part of 2100 and Cadastral Survey No. 641 of Mandvi Division together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon known as "Dhanmai Mansion" assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under B. Ward Nos. 70 to 72 and 922-923 and Street Nos. 123-125-127 and 119 which said premises are situate at Narayan Dharu Cross Street and Abdool Rehman Street.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1944.

AMIN DESAI & NANAVATI,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

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AUCTION SALES.

THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY at North Brook Street or Third Kumkharwada Street, bearing Street Nos. 164-168 and Cadastral Survey No. 3880 of Bhuleshwar Division belonging to the estate of Bai Mariambai daughter of Haji Shariff Bawa under instructions from Messrs. Nagindas Hooseinally & Co., Attorneys for Umar Haji Ebrahim and others, heirs and legal representatives of the Estate of Bai Mariambai that was advertised to take place on 14th April was postponed and will take place on Friday the 19th May, 1944, at 4-30 p.m. on the premises of the property.

Further particulars and conditions of sale may be obtained from Messrs. Nagindas Hooseinally & Co., Attorneys for the Vendor, at Yusuf Building, Hornby Road, or from the undersigned.

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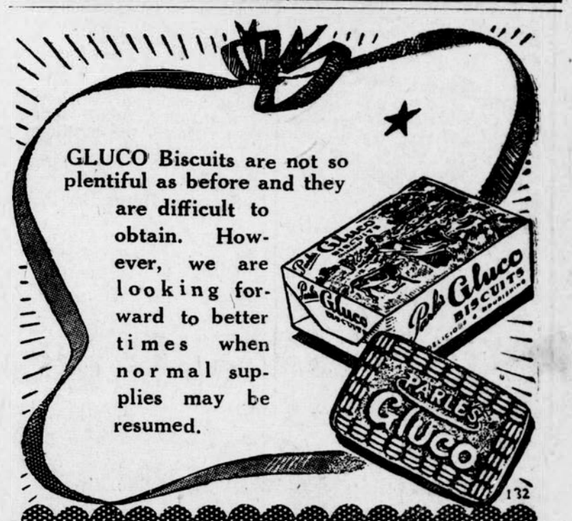
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